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THE KING'S PHYSICIAN.

A TALE OF THE SECRET JEWS OF SPAIN.

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CHAPTER II.

The battle of Pavia had been lost and won; Francis the First was a prisoner in Spain, whither he had been removed by his own desire, with the intention of seeking an interview with the emperor, in the hope of obtaining better terms from Charles than those offered through his generals, which had driven the high-spirited Frenchman almost to madness; but, instead of receiving his prisoner as Francis had hoped, with the chivalrous courtesy due to a fallen monarch, Charles sent his captive to Madrid, under the charge of Don Ferdinand d'Alarcon, a Spanish noble of great austerity, while he himself, instead of granting the desired interview to Francis, set out on some pretence for Toledo.

Francis, heart sick, and disappointed in the hope of seeing the emperor, deprived of all amusement, and only suffered to take the air on a mule surrounded by guards, fell into a dangerous illness; and Charles, fearing to lose by his death all the advantages he had gained by the battle of Pavia, set out for Madrid, and had a short interview with his prisoner, and subsequently granted permission that his sister and his favorite physician should be permitted to visit him in his prison. Such was the state of affairs in the middle of the year 1525, at which period our tale opens.

In an apartment of the Alcozar, at Madrid, which, although large, wore a gloomy and desolate rather than a grand appearance, sat Francis the First, King of France. The brow of the king was moody, and his complexion wore that sickly tint which anxiety and confinement always produce. The dress of Francis was sordid and neglected, and his whole appearance bespoke deep dejection. Four other persons besides the king occupied the apartment: one, a man habited in long black robes, and with a scull-cap upon his head, sat on a low footstool at the king's feet; he was reading aloud, in a sweet and melodious voice, an Arab tale, which he rendered into French as he read; it was Gabriel Henriques, the king's physician. The other three were females, all of whom were employed at tapestry-work; the elder of the three, a stately lady dressed in black, then recently introduced as mourning, was Marguerite of France. This princess, whose beautiful person enshrined a pure and enlightened mind, had, on hearing of her brother's dangerous sickness, sought, and with some difficulty obtained, permission to become his nurse and comforter. Gabriel had accompanied her to Spain; but it was not until Charles had striven by every means to avoid it, by offering the most eminent physicians of his court, amongst others an apostate Israelite, that he would permit an acknowledged Jew to pollute the Catholic soil of Spain. Of the other two females, one was a French attendant of Marguerite, the other a lovely Spanish girl, scarcely eighteen, the ward of Don Ferdinand, whom the emperor had deputed to wait on the Duchess d'Alencon during her stay in Spain. The bright eyes of Isabella were apparently fixed on her work; but from time to time she raised them admiringly to the face of the expression of intellectual beauty conspicuous in every feature.

When the reading of the tale was concluded, Francis signified his desire to be left alone with his sister, and the physician, with the two attendants of Marguerite, quitted the apartment.

CHAPTER III.

Gabriel returned to his own chamber, a room so confined in its dimensions that it might more fitly have been termed a dungeon. Forced by the bigotry of the Spaniards to perform the most menial offices for himself, and deprived of every comfort, the physician wasted not a thought on his own deprivations, but his heart ached when he thought of the melancholy condition of his royal master. He sat himself down on the only seat the room contained, and was soon lost in reverie.

"It is strange," he said, unconsciously thinking aloud, "how her sweet face haunts me in my sleeping and waking dreams. Oh, would that I had never gazed upon it, since for the Jew to love the heiress of a Spanish noble is more than madness. I must not think of her, save as a bright star too distant from me to admit of hope. Ah! would that I had never looked upon the beautiful Isabella, never set foot in this land, from which in my earliest infancy I was driven; and thou, too!" he continued, drawing from the folds of his garment a little miniature and gazing earnestly upon it. "I am here, Anna, my sister, in the same land with thee; and yet am I a stranger and alone. Where art thou, beloved one? yes, dearly beloved, although unknown, in whose veins alone flows a drop of kindred blood! Shall we ever meet again? and if it be the will of the Almighty to bring us together, daughter of my beloved parents, how wilt thou receive me? perhaps with scorn and contempt for thy brother the Jew; and yet I must seek thee and strive to fulfil the wishes of my dead parents;—but how and where?"

The meditations of the physician were interrupted by a light tap at the door; he opened it, and to his great surprise beheld a Dominican monk, the confessor of Don Ferdinand d'Alarcon, standing at the entrance. The brow of the physician darkened as he bade him enter; for since his arrival in Spain he had been more than once annoyed by attempts of conversion, originating in the zeal of Don Ferdinand, although hitherto the privacy of his chamber had not been invaded. Declining by a motion of his hand the seat Henriques proffered, the monk advanced to the table and gazed long and earnestly on the little miniature which the physician, on opening the door, had laid there. Astonished and annoyed, Gabriel in turn examined the features of his strange visitor with some attention. In age the priest might have numbered some sixty years; his figure had been commanding; but age had slightly bowed it, and sorrow and time had imparted to his features a wrinkled and cave-worn expression, although they still bore the remains of masculine beauty, while a beard white as snow, descending to his waist, added to his venerable appearance.

Henriques, who, like most men of his time of life, depended much upon physiognomy, was rather pleased than otherwise with the appearance of Father Dominick, and he waited with some impatience to hear his errand. For several minutes the confessor continued to gaze with interest upon the features of the beautiful child the miniature represented; at length he spoke abruptly:

"Your name is Gabriel Henriques?"

"It is," answered the physician.

"And your father was Jacob Henriques, formerly a physician of Castile; your mother's name was Esther Lousada?"

"It was," answered Gabriel, wondering to what this question tended.

"I thought so," said the monk; and he added, fixing his eyes on the face of his astonished auditor, "you are very like your mother in features, and the tones of your voice also remind me of hers. Poor Esther," he continued. "thou at least art at rest; thy and the husband of thy choice sleep peacefully in that strange land to which ye were exiled, and your children, aliens to each other, both breathe the same air and dwell in the same city from which thou wast driven. Yes, those little ones who were nurtured at thy breast and cradled in thy loving arms are strangers, and perchance will ever remain so to each other."

"My sister?" said the physician, seizing Dominick's arm and gazing anxiously into his face; "thou knowest her—she lives—she is here in Madrid. Oh, if thou canst lead me to her, let me look once more on her face, and, despite thy garb, I will bless thee."

"Why?" answered the monk, thou canst not love her; thou hast never seen her; for thou wert a babe at thy mother's breast when she and thy father courageously gave up all for their faith, and departed from Spain, never to return. Thy sister, as they have doubtless told thee, was taken from them to be reared in the Christian faith; therefore she is doubly a stranger to thee."

"No," interrupted Gabriel impatiently," for from infancy her name has been familiar; the hope of one day meeting her has been the dream of my life. My gentle mother constantly, through my childhood, recalled her to me; with the earliest prayer I lisped her name was blended. My parents on their death-bed spoke of her, and since I have been alone in the world night and morning I have looked upon that little miniature, showing forth in idea the child become a woman, and longing to clasp that woman in my arms and call her sister. Yes," he continued still more vehemently, "the one idea of my life has she been. Ah, never, had we grown up together beneath the same roof, mingling our childish thoughts and griefs together, could I have loved her as I love her now."

As Gabriel ceased speaking he became conscious that the eyes of the Dominican were fixed on him as if he would read his very soul. The mention of his parents and sister had rendered him for a time unconscious that he was speaking to a Christian and a stranger; but, recalled to himself by Dominick's gaze, he inquired in an altered voice the monk's business with him.

"I came from Don Ferdinand d'Alarcon," answered the monk; "but the sight of that miniature recalled the past so strangely to my mind, that for a moment I forgot my mission."

"You are, I suppose, an apostate Jew; since you knew my parents?" said Gabriel with contempt.

"I will answer that question hereafter," replied the monk, without any manifestation of anger, "meantime, listen to the message of Don Ferdinand d'Alarcon," 'It is,' says the pious knight, 'a shame and scandal to all Christendom, and more especially to Spain, that the King of France should suffer a Jew to hold the office of his chief physician; but as the emperor has graciously consented that King Francis should be unrestricted in this point, though against the laws of Spain that any Jew should pollute her soil, he, the governor, desires that the error of your ways should be shown you, and he offers any preferment in his power to bestow as the price of your conformity to Christianity. Moreover, he has decreed that I, his confessor, shall visit you daily, so that you may profit by my instruction to save your soul from eternal perdition."

"I thank Don Ferdinand for his gracious care of my soul," answered the physician scornfully; for my personal safety and freedom from molestation in my religious observances while I sojourn in Spain, I have the word of two great kings. A Jew I was born," he added, "and a Jew will I die, spite of all the eloquence of all priests in Spain."

"It is as I expected, Gabriel Henriques," answered the priest; "but thus much I ask of thy courtesy, that thou wilt suffer me daily to visit thee here in thy chamber, and that thou also wilt visit me sometimes in mine, unless thou fearest thy faith is too weak to combat such arguments as I may offer."

"Be it so," answered the physician; "but as for my religion, it is too firmly fixed to be altered by thy reasoning; therefore do not flatter thyself with the prospect of my conversion."

"Time will prove," answered Father Dominick; "and now, for the present, farewell; tomorrow I will visit thee again."

"Stay," said the physician, striving vainly to repress signs of the emotion he felt at the name; "thou didst speak of my sister; tell me, I entreat thee, is she known unto thee? and if so, where does she dwell? Has she utterly forgotten the race from which she sprang?"

"Be content" said the monk "for the present, to know that thy sister is rich, honored, and beloved; the widow of a powerful noble, her son is heir to one of the oldest titles and most extensive estates in Spain. At present she is esteemed a good Catholic, and her son, to whom I was preceptor, and to whom, as well as the mother, I am still confesser, is a noble and manly youth, whom to know is to love; but he is withal unhappy, for he loves, and loves one whom the laws of the church to which he belongs will never permit him to wed."

"And my sister?" said Gabriel, in a faltering voice, "does she never think of her exiled parents who died heart-broken in a foreign land? does she know that she has a brother, to whom her memory, although he knew her not, is dear as life itself?"

"Art thou mad," said the Dominican, "to believe that the haughty Catholic countess would remember without a blush her Jewish origin? Didst thou present thyself before her and say unto her, 'Anna Henriques, I am the child of the same parents to whom thou owest thy birth,' perchance she would bid her menials drive thee from her gates, as an imposter or madman."

Crushed and heart-struck, as the probability of the Dominican's statement crossed his mind, Gabriel sat for a minute or two buried in the painful thoughts to which his mind had awakened him, while the Dominican surveyed his sad but expressive features with a look of undistinguished interest.

"There is yet a way," he said, advancing to the physician, and speaking in calm and measured accents, "by which thou mayst gain access to this sister who is so dear to thee. Do as she has done; renounce the errors of Judaism, and become of one faith as ye are of one blood."

"Begone, tempter," said the physician, aroused almost to madness; "know thou, who wouldst make me a vile apostate like thyself by playing upon the best and holiest feelings of my nature, that, didst thou offer me the crown of Spain as the price of the apostasy from my faith, I would spurn it as I spurn thee and thy offers."

Without replying, the monk approached the door and, opening it, looked carefully around. He then, satisfied with his scrutiny, closed it and advanced once more to the physician.

"Gabriel Henriques," he said, in a solemn voice, "thy words prove thee worthy of thy parents, and I will trust thee. Know then that, although thousands of Jews, at the cruel decree of Ferdinand and Isabella, quitted this lovely land for never to return, others there were who, from various causes, preferred apostasy to exile; but, although these people outwardly conformed to the religion of their oppressors, they still clung in their heart of hearts to the religion of their ancestors, and practiced in secret those laws they dared no longer openly profess; they joined themselves to the descendants of the forced converts of former ages, and, despite the edict of Ferdinand and Isabella, despite the cruel vigilance of the Inquisition, in every part of Spain, under the cowl of the monk, in the court of the monarch, nay, even amongst the judges of the Inquisition concealed Jews are to be found. For myself," he continued with great emotion, "thy mother was my only sister, and I was married to a sister of your father's, so that in blood we are doubly akin. It was my intention, though holding a high office under Ferdinand, to quit this accursed land with thy father and Abarbanel; but two days before the time fixed for my departure my only child became dangerously ill; to remove it was certain death; and the mother, who passionately loved it, would not quit it. My wife was dearer to me than life, and, concealed by a benevolent Christian, we remained to await the child's recovery. After a time, fearing to bring to heavy a punishment on himself, our host refused longer to conceal us. My wife had fallen ill, and was near her confinement. To leave her and my dying child was impossible, and I became outwardly a Christian. I wrote to your father, telling him what I had done, and he deigned no reply to my letters; nor have I ever heard more of him until your bearing the same name, the likeness to your mother—peace to her soul—and that little miniature of your sister, revealed you to me. The step I had taken, and for which my conscience bitterly reproached me, availed me nothing. My wife died in giving birth to a still-born infant a few days after the death of her eldest son, and I was left alone in the world with the exception of the little girl, your sister, who had been torn from her mother, and to whose welfare I determined henceforth to devote myself, renouncing the world and all its allurements. For safety, I took upon myself the monkish habit, and retired to a remote part of Spain, and obtained, by renouncing every personal indulgence, a reputation amongst them for superior sanctity.

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RACE AND RELIGION.

The "Contemporary Review" for October contains a very able article on the above subject, of which the following is an extract:

But there is but one Semitic people that claims more than a passing notice, the people in whom the Semitic genius culminated in order to realize its mission—the Hebrews. Of the controversies concerning their origin and history, literature and religion, this paper can say nothing. It were simply impertinent to attempt to do so amidst these generalities. But so much can be said—they issue out of Egypt and settle in Canaan, a branch of the Semitic race, one with it in language, cosmogonic and religious tradition. But this people's patriarchs are its own, and their significance is religious. It has its national god, Jahveh, a name which signifies existence, "He who is," and therefore the uncreated, without beginning, above time too, the present, without past or future. He stands alone, without queen, no Beltis being set over against this Bel. He is Israel's God, neither believed nor claiming to be more. Semitic fashion, He is King and Lawgiver, regulates their lives, their state, stands therefore identified with their national existence. The people knew other gods, love them, serve them. Canaanitish gods, Phœnician gods, have their altars and sacrifices. But Jahvism will not mingle with these worships, is intolerant, stern after a new type, sets its face against human sacrifices, but enforces in the most absolute way righteousness, purity of thought and life. But this worship fares ill amid the lawless Hebrews intoxicated by wines and luxuries of Canaan, fascinated by the soft embraces of Ashtoreth. So a new class of men begin to appear, of old called Seers, as seeing into the heart of things; now called prophets, speakers, men who could loudly, clearly speak what is given to them, not what they think, but what comes to them, enters into and possesses them as the word or spirit of Jahvey. These men are peculiar to the Hebrews, unknown to the other Semitic peoples; prophetism, properly so-called, not flourishing out of Israel. The prophets fight what seems a hopeless battle. The kings seeking foreign alliances wish to break down the stern and exclusive Jahvism that stands in their way, and to bring their religious customs and beliefs into harmony with their neighbors. The people, hating its moral severities, loving the licence their idolatrous friends enjoy, receive and worship readily the native or alien deities which the prophets denounce as false. The great powers, Egypt and Assyria, have in Israel or Judah their respective interests or parties, and these like their allies are inimical to the God indentified with the independence of the land. Against these and similar forces the prophets had to struggle, with almost constant political failure, with only here and there a transcient success, when a king was found who understood the issues gathered into the name and worship of Jahveh. The struggle ended only when the people, who had been carried into captivity a godless, lawless multitude, returned a united nation, with the name of Jahveh so stamped into their hearts that the persecutions of centuries, the loss of land and laws and language, frequent and forced migrations, life for generations amid peoples of alien rabe and religion, have all been unable to quench their faith in Him.

But let us look at the spiritual issues of the struggle. These prophets spoke in the name of Jahveh, declared He was one God, the only God. Other deities were false, idols, without actual or substantive being. But this monotheism was only one element of their gospel. Jahveh was King—therefore he had the right to command and be obeyed. He was righteous—therefore His word was the word of righteousness, His law the standard of right and truth. He was the Creator, therefore the Father of man, and loved the creature He had formed as a father loves his child, more than a mother loves her infant. And from these principles many great results followed. The king was bound to obey Jahveh, order his state and administer his laws according to His will. That will was man's supreme law. Obedience to it was righteous and peace. And so morality was joined to religion, was rooted in the nature of God. Knowledge of God and the love it was certain to awaken became the mainspring of action, made obedience easy and holiness possible. And were man afflicted with the strong weakness of an unstable will did he sin, then there was mercy with God, forgiveness that He might be feared. And how varied the expression these thoughts receive. They are uttered in curses, such curses as only Semitic lips can frame, against idolatrous kings and apostate peoples; in pictures, that seem to laugh in terrible irony, of idol gods placed alongside the only eternal Jahveh; in entreaties of weeping tenderness to the people that had been loved and had wandered to return; in proclamations of an eternal law the neglect of men can never annul, or his disobedience degrade; in descriptions, lurid as if dashed off with a brush dipt in the hues of a earthquake and eclipse, sweet and beautiful as if steeped in the silent loveliness of an oriental night, or bright and luscious, full of the music of birds and the sound of many waters like an Eastern Garden of the Lord. And then, when these men turned from their mission to man to their own relation to God, how their voices seemed to change. Now we hear the muffled yet hopeful weeping of a penitential psalm, imploring the mercy of God, forgiveness of sin, a right spirit and a clean heart; again, a sweet lyrical song of trust alike in living and dying in the Lord the Shepherd. That old Hebrew literature in all its forms, in Psalms and Proverbs, in prophetic visions and lyrico-epical poems, in history and parable tells the same tale, the sweet and winsome gospel of the God who reigns and loves, who often punish, but who always delights to save.

Here, then, was the gift of the Semitic race in its noblest branch to the world—faith in the living, righteous God. That faith was embodied in a sacred literature, the grandest, in its essential elements the nearest universal, mankind has ever known, and in a people exalted by enthusiasm for the divine unity into its missionaries, with their field widened into the world by their idea, in spite of all their egoism and intolerance. Their Gospel did not simply affirm there is no God, but Jahveh—that had been a mere abstract and impotent proposition—affirmed also, His right is also to rule, man's duty is to obey. Religion is not simply worship, is obedience, righteousness, peace. A gift so splendid might well hold in it the regeneration of the world, giving to it not only the idea of the Divine Unity, but religion changed into a mighty and commanding reality which penetrated and inspired the whole man, dignified him with the consciousness of a divine descent, gladdened him with the hope of a happy, because a holy, immortality, quickened him with the sense of omnipotence moving everywhere to the help of man in the soft guise of infinite gentleness. He who knows what these things mean will best understand the ancient saying, "Salvation is of the Jews."

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THE RABBI AND THE MENDICANT.

A TALE OF JERUSALEM.

It was fast approaching the eleventh hour; the busy hum of the holy city had sunk into comparative stillness, and, save some straggling wayfarers, and field laborers returning from their daily toil, few passengers were to be seen in the streets of Jerusalem. One middle-aged man alone kept his seat in the Water Gate, looking with placid smile along the rugged road which led down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat; a silver gerah was held between his fingers, as in the act of giving an alms; but for some minutes no object appeared on whom it might properly be bestowed. He rose from his seat, and gathering his flowing robe around him, was preparing to depart, when the figure of an aged man tottering slowly up the steep, arrested his attention. The old man was evidently meanly clad; and, as he leant feebly on his staff, to take breath after his toilsome ascent, his glance rested upon the person of the sage Rabbi Abimelech, for it was he who sat in the gate distributing alms to the poor, the hungry, and the wayfarer.

"The Lord direct thy goings out and thy comings in," said the Rabbi, with a self-satisfied smile, dropping the coin into the extended palm of the stranger. "Lo! I have tarried from the ninth hour, until the towers and pinnacle of the Temple have thrown their dark shadows across the brook of Cedron, even unto the base of the Mount of Olives, to bestow this last gerah of forty in an alms, according to a vow which I made last Pentacost, and behold thou art here to receive it."

"Precious is the gift which cometh from the heart, more precious than the Arabian frankincense, and sweeter than the rich honey of Hebron. If I might know my lord's name, my heart would not forget it when I lift up my voice in prayer to the Ruler of Israel," said the stranger respectfully.

"I am called the Rabbi Abimelech."

"He whom men term 'the sinless?'—whose voice is as the neighing of a war-horse in the Temple—whose works are the works of righteousness—who clothes the naked, feeds the hungry, and gives alms to the tenth part of his substance?"—asked the stranger.

"The same," answered the self-glorified Rabbi; "and now, let me pray thee, thy name, and in what city thou art a dweller?"

"Alas!" answered the stranger, "I am as a reproach to my kindred, and my name is a defilement to the lips of an Israelite."

"Unfortunate man! in what hast thou offended against the law?"

"In this thing have I offended. Behold, I went forth at the last vintage season into the vineyards, and the vintagers were pressing the grapes in the wine-presses; and the red wine ran into the vats, even the red wine of Lebanon—and, being weary with toil and heat of the day, I was tempted, and in foolishness I did drink of the wine, which should have been an abomination unto me, seeing that I am a Nazarite from my youth."

The scrupulous Rabbi shrank from the degraded Israelite as from a tainted leper, and elevating his brow, said, with a sanctimonious air, "The way of the wise man is pleasant, but the feet of the fool treadeth in the mire."

"Stop!" said the stranger, as the Rabbi was departing. "Is it not also said that 'the vainglorious man shall fall in the snares of his own proud heart?' Rabbi Abimelech, thy life has been righteous, but fire hath not yet tried, nor water purified thee. See that thou stand fast when the time cometh."

At these words the stranger, with more alertness than his seeming feebleness indicated, turned into an obscure street, while Abimelech, pondering on the warning of the strange man, took his way toward his own dwelling. On reaching his house, Abimelech retired to his own chamber. It was a small closet or oratory on the house-top, furnished in a style of simplicity approaching rudeness, and its cold cheerless appearance was increased by the dim twilight. There was still, however, sufficient light for Abimelech to distinguish a female figure standing in a thoughtful attitude in the centre of the apartment. A rich, mellow ray fell upon her shape, which exceeded in height the usual standard of sex, but was so exquisitely proportioned as to convey only an idea of graceful dignity to the beholder. Her eye, as she turned it upon Abimelech, seemed dark and lustrious, and her smile was as a sunbeam upon the besom of the still waters. The Rabbi stood motionless, for he never before had beheld so much beauty; a new pulse stirred in his bosom, and an unusual fire burned in his veins. At length he found words to express his admiration and astonishment. "Fair damsel," cried he, "thy visit is unforeseen; but thou art more welcome to my chamber than the pleasant odor of the young vines in the spring."

"I am," said the abashed intruder, while a roseate blush overspread the marble whiteness of her soft cheek and marble brow, "I am, as you may perceive, a stranger and a Gentile, unworthy to come beneath the roof of the far-famed Rabbi Abimelech, the words of whose lips are wisdom, and whose precepts are as pearls of great price. Nevertheless, let thy handmaid find favor in thy sight, and turn aside I pray thee, unto my lodgings, which are nigh at hand, and let thy handmaiden rejoice in the light of countenance, and in the sweet sound of thy voice." The Rabbi, though surprised at this novel address, felt a strange sensation thrill through his frame. Gazing upon the lovely speaker, his resolution began to waver, and, almost unconsciously, he permitted himself to be led out by his unknown visitor. Proceeding at a rapid pace toward the western quarter of the city, they at length stopped before a house of handsome exterior, but which Abimelech could not remember ever having seen before. A single tap at the door caused it to open, and the Rabbi, still following his mysterious conductor, entered a hall, feebly lighted with a single lamp. Here she motioned him to remain for a short time, and disappearing through a passage, the Rabbi was left alone to meditate upon the strange adventure in which he was engaged. But he had little time allowed him for reflection, ere the heavy folds of a curtain, which overhung a small door, were partially withdrawn, and a fair hand and sweet voice invited him to enter. He approached, lifted up the curtain, and beheld a superbly-finished apartment, lit with silver lamps, fed with the perfumed oil of Samaria. Mirrors of polished metal hung around the room, while, on a low couch, sat, or rather reclined, the beautiful stranger, whose charms now shone with a splendor far surpassing anything the Rabbi could imagine of mortal mould. He essayed to speak, but the words dwelt upon his lips. She beckoned him to take a seat beside her. He obeyed tremblingly; but the gentle, assuring smile which she cast upon him, at once banished his timidity, and he suffered his eyes to wander in unrestrained freedom over these voluptuous beauties till the sight became painful from extreme delight. A female attendant spread before them a light but luxurious repast of fresh and dried fruits, grapes, figs, apricots, olives, pomegranates, and dates, interspersed with pots of pure honey, rose cakes of Damascus, and bananas of Rosetta; with Egyptian syrup, and crystal vases, in which the rich wine of Hebron sparkled with tempting brilliancy.

[TO BE CONCLUDED.]

GERMANY.—At a recent consecration of a synagogue in Ulm, invitations were issued to several members of the neighboring congregation at Ichenhausen. As the latter had certain scruples with regard to the refreshments provided for the occasion, they accepted the invitation, but carried with them their own provisions.

A Correspondent of the *Wochenschrift* writes from Magdburg, dated September 16th: "Eight weeks ago to day, the first case of cholera happened in this city, and since then it rapidly increased, reached its greatest degree in the third week in August, when sixty to seventy persons daily died, (besides the deaths by other diseases, which were mostly fatal during that period) but now, thanks to God, the cases are decreasing, and yesterday only seven deaths were reported. The official list contains almost 1,400 cases from cholera. The Jewish community had also to mourn eleven deaths. For the holidays some precautionary measures have been taken. The service for Rosh Hashonah has been limited to three hours and a half, and that for Kold Nidre to one hour and a half. For Yom Kippur, an intermissien of two hours between Shocharis and Musaph, and, if found necessary, an hour before Mincha, were ordered, to have the synagogue ventilated in the mean time."

ROUMANIA.—The *Israelit* has the following correspondence from the Roumanian frontier, dated August 29th:

"In spite of the political calmness existing at present, there are abundant rumors in Roumania causing great apprehension. I refer to the great conflagrations which are now the order of the day in Upper Moldewa. Hardly a month has passed since the largest part of Botteschan was a prey to the flames, when now two other large conflagrations are reported; the cities of Husch and Stefanesti, the first a considerable commercial town, have been entirely consumed. Jassy, the capital of the Moldowa, has not been exempted from incendiaries, and, a few days ago, that city was set on fire at different places; but happily the fire was suppressed, and the second largest city of Roumania, after Bucharest, for the present saved from destruction. I say for the present, for the minister of the interior at Bucharest has received an anonymous despatch threatening that, in case the burden of the liquor and tobacco monopoly should not be removed, the city of Jassy will be destroyed. And that this threat is not mere bragging, appears from the bad feeling existing about the monopoly even in prominent circles. The most wise state administration of the Moldowa remains immovable, and looks into the future with genuine Oriental fatalism."

PALESTINE.—The *Habazeleth* relates the following story:

Two Jews, natives of the East, and residents at Jaffa, were traveling on business, and came to Gazza (in ancient Philistia). On the way they stopped at the place which in our Scriptures is well known by the name of Askelon, where they engaged in bartering with the inhabitants of that spot. Being invited by some of the towns-people to partake of their hospitality, and stay with them over night, the unsuspecting travelers accepted the offer. At night they were attacked by ruffians, who robbed them of 500 napoleons. Praying pitifully for their lives, the unfortunates, after being stripped of their raiment, succeeded in escaping from the haunt of the robbers. A garden keeper on the property, stated to belong to Sir Moses Montefiire, was subsequently traveling in the same direction. He also became the prey of highwaymen in those quarters. They tied him to a tree, and cleared him of every thing he had about him. Now, however, the government instituted searching inquiries. The wretches, who had possessed themselves of the property they had found upon the two Jews and the garden keeper, had to disgorge their ill-gotten treasure. They moreover confessed that an additional large sum of money which was discovered in their places had been taken from a Mahomedan merchant, who had the misfortune of passing through the same place.

HOLLAND.—The Dutch Budget for 1874 contains an item of 35,600 guilders. This amount is the grant given by the Government to the Jewish community in Holland. Thus Jewish worship in Holland as well as in France is a State Religion. Not only does the Government contribute towards the salaries of the various Chief Rabbis and other officials, and the maintenance of religious schools, but it also contributes towards the erection and rebuilding of synagogues and other religious institutions of our brethren.

ITALY.—Two Jewish ladies recently passed a Government Examination in Rome and obtained certificates to enable them to become teachers in a communal school. This fact is noteworthy, in so far that this instance is the first of that kind that has ever occurred at Rome. Of course previous to September, 1870, when the liberal government of Victor Emmanuel succeeded the bigoted rule of Pius IX. in the Eternal City, such an occurrence as that would have been a matter of impossibility.

FRANCE.—Baron Alphonse de Rothschild of Paris has offered a donation of 10,000 francs to the Prefect of the Seine for the assistance of poor persons liable to be turned out of their dwellings on the French quarter day (8th inst.) from inability to pay their rent. The *Echo* says that the Baron has already given a handsome donation to the Paris Committe of Public Relief.

GERMANY.—The last census of the city of Frankfort-on-the-Main showed that the total number of inhabitants was 91,000, of whom 10,000 were Jews.

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Die jüdisch-deutsche Sprache.

Von Dr. J. M. Jost.

Die jetzt immer mehr absterbende jüdisch-deutsche Sprache war viele Jahrhunderte hindurch die gemeinsame Sprache aller Juden, welche im Reiche Schutz fanden und nach und nach sich über die benachbarten Länder weithin verbreiteten, so daß sie in den letzten Jahrhunderten, bei allen eingetretenen Mundart-Unterschieden, innerhalb der jüdischen Gemeinden, die aus Mitteleuropa stammen, in allen Ländern Europas, in Palästina, in Syrien und in Amerika allgemein verstanden ward, in vielen die Muttersprache ausmachte. Indem wir sie auf diese Abstammung beschränken, schließen wir alle aus der pyrenäischen Halbinsel herrührenden Gemeinden, die sich über Italien und die Türkei, sowie über Nordafrika verbreitet haben, aus, so auch alle dem eigentlichen Morgenlande Angehörigen, denn jene sprachen ihr Cadino (Latein, d. h. bald spanisch, bald portugisisch) oder schon arabisch, diese theils arabisch, theils persisch, theils andere Landessprachen, und verkehrten mit dem Abendlande nur mittelst des Hebräischen. Es versteht sich, daß allesammt auch mehr und minder die Landessprachen benutzten.

Wenn es irgend einen Beweis giebt von der Verkehrtheit solcher Gesetzgebungen, welche ganze Massen örtlich oder auch nur geistig absperren und zur Abgeschiedenheit zwingen, so ist es diese Erscheinung, welche unsers Wissens in der Geschichte ihr Gleiches nicht findet. Schon die Scheidung nach Stamm und Gottesdienst im Morgenlande, wo eigentlich beides von jeher aneinander hing, bis der Islam die Abkunftsunterschiede immer mehr ausglich, zeigen zur Genüge, wie sich in den kleinern abgesonderten Gemeinheiten eine einseitige Geistesrichtung bildet, welche mit dem Bekenntnisse im Zusammenhange bleibend, Jahrhunderte, ja Jahrtausende sich fortpflanzt und erstaunliche Masse edler Säfte aufzehrt, welche die Völker und Staaten zu ihrer eigenen Stärkung an sich ziehen konnten. In weit größerm Maßstabe bewährt sich diese Bemerkung an den Juden, welche nur in sehr wenigen Ländern sich ordentlich ansiedeln durften, und selbst in ihren zahlreichern Gemeinden oft aufgeschreckt und auseinander gesprengt wurden, so daß sie trotz aller beschränkenden Gesetze über fast alle Länder der Erde, wo nur staatliche Ordnung mit Christenthum oder Islam eingedrungen ist, sich verbreiteten. Es ist natürlich, daß nur ein sehr lang dauernder Aufenthalt solche neue Ansiedler dahin bringt, bis sie die Landessprache annehmen, und folglich bleibt, wenn dies einmal erfolgt ist, die einmal angenommene Sprache auch bei weiterer Zerstreuung die Muttersprache einer solchen Masse, die in der neuen Fremde immer erst wieder ganzer Jahrhunderte bedarf, um durch Sprache und Sitte sich den Eingeborenen anzuschließen. Dazu haben die Gesetze den Juden selten Zeit gelassen. Der weitere Erfolg davon war, daß die Juden durch eine gemeinsame Sprache in aller Welt im Zusammenhange blieben, und daraus zu viel gegenseitige Unterstützung zogen, um nicht die gemeinschaftliche Sprache und die ganz damit verbundene Einseitigkeit lieb zu gewinnen. Merkwürdig bleibt dabei immer der Umstand, daß in den frühern Jahrhunderten des Mittelalters die Juden auf der pyrenäischen Halbinsel einerund im deutschen Reiche andrerseits bereits so weit fest angesiedelt waren, daß sie sich die Landessprachen ganz und gar, wenn auch nur mundartlich, aneigneten, und daß diese zweier großen Massen Muttersprachen wurden, zu denen sich in Spanien späterhin die arabische noch gesellte, deren man im Verkehr mit den Moslemen nicht entbehren konnte.

Die deutschen Juden nun sprachen hochdeutsch, ein Beweis, daß ihre ursprüngliche Masse hauptsächlich diejenigen Gegenden Mitteldeutschlands bewohnt hatte, wo diese Mundart zu Hause war, besonders finden wir sie früh auf der südöstlichen Seite von Thüringen und Sachsen an bis an die Donau und den Ober- und Mittel-Rhein, und dann weiterhin in den allemannischen Gegenden bis an die Rhone und die östliche Loire und weiterhin nach Norden bis nach Belgien. Von diesen zum Theil schon im 13. Jahrhundert unter französischem Scepter stehenden Gebieten wanderte eine sehr große Masse nach den bittern Verfolgungen unter Ludwig IX. und Philipp IV. aus und fand Aufnahme in Polen, wo, seitdem der eigentliche Gesammtwohnsitz der deutschen Juden war, und von wo aus sie sich nach Süden und Westen verbreiteten. Das polnische Element konnte in sie nicht eindringen, weil sie sich weit über die niedern Slaven erhoben fühlten, und sie mit dem Adel nur in wenigen Geschäftszweigen in Berührung standen, die sie ohne umfängliche Kenntniß der slavischen Sprachen erledigen konnten, während sie unter sich einen ganzen Volksstamm mit eigener Muttersprache ausmachten. So erhielt sich bei ihnen das Deutsche, gefördert durch rabbinische Schulen, die sich an allen Orten fanden, und es bildete sich ihre Mundart eigenthümlich aus, die sich dann wieder über die deutschen Juden, welche ihre Lehrer aus Polen zog, weiter verbreitete. Diese Mundart entfernte sich natürlich immer mehr von der deutschen, fortschreitend sich entwickelnden Sprache, denn abgesehen von der Abgeschiedenheit der Juden, mischten sich auch unendlich viele Hebraismen ein, welche durch die das ganze Leben der Juden durchziehenden goetesdienstlichen Gebräuche Jedem verständlich waren, und gern auch zur figürlichen Sprache benutzt wurden. Hie und da fanden sich auch slavische Eindringlinge aus dem Verkehr mit Polen. Alle die so zusammengeflossenen Elemente schlossen sich dem germanischen Grundrisse an, auf welchem nach und nach ein Sprachgebäude sich erhob, das sich vom Deutschen bedeutend unterschied und welchem selbst die deutschen Ausdrücke vielfach verschiedene Bedeutungen annahmen und in der Aussprache und Betonung ihrem Ursprunge sich ganz entfremdeten, und es kam allmälig dahin, daß die Juden echt deutsche Werke nur mit Mühe verstanden. Endlich entstanden auch mehrere deutlich zu unterscheidenden Mundarten der jüdisch-deutschen Sprache nach den Wohnsitzen der größern Massen, die nicht umhin konnten, von der Umgebung gewisse Färbungen anzunehmen.

An vielen Orten hat diese Sprache, durch den wachsenden Verkehr der Juden mit den übrigen Landesbewohnern einen Einfluß auf die Volkssprache geübt, und dieser manche Ausdrücke mitgetheilt, die sich als sehr bezeichnend anempfahlen, oder wegen ihrer Seltsamkeit beliebt wurden. Wir haben dahin zu rechnen: schächten und Schächter (schlachten und Schlächter), schachern (vom Hebr. sachar, verdienen), kauscher (erlaubt zu essen, fig. rein), Knas (Strafe), plete gehen (mit fremden Gute davon laufen), meschugge (verrückt), Schote (Narr), welches letztere doch auch erst mit dem slavischen Schut, wegen des Gleichlauts mit dem Hebräischen, eingeführt worden sein mag, und so viele andere. Wir rechneten früher dahin auch uzen (foppen), Schlemihl (Unglücksmensch), Schlemasel (Unheil), glauben aber jetzt, daß diese nicht aus der jüdischen Sprache herrühren, so sehr besonders die letztern beiden das Ansehen haben, als kämen sie ganz oder theilweise von hebräischen Ausdrücken; Schlemasel namentlich ist gewiß das deutsche Schlammassel, welches man unrichtig auf schlimm und Masel (Glück) zurückgeführt hat. Merkwürdig ist, daß die jüdischen Ausdrücke sich auch in andern Sprachen finden, wo man sie blos für Gaunerausdrücke hält. Die englische detective police spricht oft von Gonoph, ohne zu merken, daß der hebräische Ausdruck Ganow (Dieb), den die Juden überall anwenden, sich dort eingebürgert hat. Sehr häufig haben die Juden deutsche Ausdrücke auf entsprechende Weise hebräisch übertragen, ohne Zweifel, um nicht von Jedermann verstanden zu werden, z. B. Achbrisch (Dieb) von Achbar, Maus, ein Mausender; Klemonis (Kleumanith), Werkzeug; Finkeljochen, von Jajin, Wein Brantwein u. dgl., abermals eine Wirkung der Abgeschiedenheit, die sich darin gefällt, ein eigenes Kauderwelsch zu sprechen, wie dies bei geschlossenern Gesellschaften, Hausgenossen, Studenten, und sonst ebenfalls geschieht. Die Juden schrieben ihr Deutsch mit hebräischen Lautzeichen und haben sogar hierin eine besondere Schönschrift ausgebildet.

Die jüdische Sprache hat zu Zeiten die Aufmerksamkeit der Behörden auf sich gezogen, weil sich Gauner derselben oft bedienten, zumal wenn sie mit jüdischen Genossen in Verbindung standen, und bald hat sich auch die deutsche Gelehrsamkeit dieser Sprache bemächtigt. Wagenseil und Schudt mögen jedoch die einzigen sein, welche genauere Kenntniß davon hatten; was sonst erschienen ist, hat keine Bedeutung.

Wesentlicher als dieser Mißbrauch, welcher dem Boden niederer Unsittlichkeit angehört, erscheint uns die ziemlich ausgedehnte jüdisch-deutsche Literatur, mit welcher jüdische Gelehrte und Schriftsteller das Volk sittlich zu bessern oder auch zu unterhalten strebten. Wir besitzen eine Menge zum Theil sehr umfangsreicher Erbauungsschriften und Gebetbücher für das weibliche Geschlecht, mehrere Sittenlehren, welche sich zugleich mit der äußerlichen Sittigkeit beschäftigen; einige Geschichtsbücher, ferner Sagen und Erzählungen, Fabeln und Legenden, ganz besonders die morgenländischen, als 1001 Nacht u. a. Auch die Bibel ist mehrere Male durchweg in jüdisch-deutscher Uebersetzung, oft mit Berücksichtigung und Einflechtung alter Erläuterungen, erschienen.

Seitdem die Juden in Deutschland sich bestrebten, die deutsche Sprache in möglichster Reinheit zu sprechen und zu schreiben, ist natürlich die jüdisch deutsche Mundart zurückgewichen, und selbst da, wo sie noch gesprochen wird, bedient man sich ihrer nicht mehr schriftlich, noch viel weniger im Druck. Schon gegen das Ende des vorigen Jahrhunderts wurde sie unter den deutschen Juden zum Gegenstand der Satyre, und es wurden Lustspiele gedichtet, um sie in ihrer Lächerlichkeit darzustellen. Wie tief eingewurzelt aber diese Mundart war, ersieht man aus mehreren noch vorhandenen Gemeindebriefen, welche also von Gemeindeschreibern verfaßt waren und die Genehmigung der Vorsteher erhalten hatten, aus dem Anfange dieses Jahrhunderts, welche Briefe von den bedeutendsten Gemeinden an die bedeutendsten gerichtet waren, und auch durch ihren Inhalt geschichtlichen Werth haben. Wir glauben nicht, daß ein Auszug aus denen, die sich in unsern Händen befinden, unsern Lesern viel Unterhaltung gewähren dürfte; dagegen erscheint uns ein anderer Beleg für die erstaunliche Mangelhaftigkeit der Sprachkenntniß sogar in den gebildetern Kreisen der deutschen Gemeinden in Holland, aus dem Jahre 1809, wohl des Abdruckens werth. Es ist dies die Bekanntmachung eines Dekrets des Königs Ludwig, welcher ein jüdisches Truppencorps errichten wollte (das jedoch bald wieder mit andern verschmolzen ward) und der Ministerialinstruktion, welche sich darauf bezieht, nebst einer Ratification des jüdischen Oberconsistoriums, — gedruckt Amsterdam 1809 in jüdischer Cursivschrift. Die ersten beiden Aktenstücke sind offenbar Uebersetzungen aus dem Französischen, also schon mit einer gewissen Sorgfalt bearbeitet, daher Spuren von Streben nach Reinheit des Ausdrucks. Daß sich Hollandismen einschleichen, ist natürlich.

Der Titel dieses, auch für die Geschichte merkwürdigen Aktenstückes ist:

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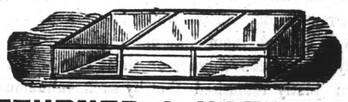

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THE HEBREW THEOCRACY.

The term Theocracy was first applied to the Hebrew state by the Jewish historian Josephus. Since then volumes have been written, each with a view to define the particular nature of that Theocracy. It is not my design to enumerate the many false and contradictory opinions of certain expounders; still less would we, in the limits of an article like the present, undertake the task of refusing them. But there is one assertion which I cannot well pass unnoticed—an assertion made by many learned writers of former times, and still current in writings of the present day, viz., that the Theocracy ceased at the accession to the throne of Saul. In other words, Saul having ascended the throne, God ceased to be king! God, as it were, abdicated in favor of the former, or even, forseoth, was compelled to yield! What more absurd, nay, what more impious language could be employed of the Ruler of the universe? He who by His almighty hand had delivered Israel from Eyptian bondage, who, by the free choice of the nation thus delivered, had been chosen to be their Head, and to whom, farthermore, they had promised with one voice of joy and enthusiasm, "all that the Lord commandeth us we will do and obey"—the Eternal I Am—must forego the right of sovereignty, because a human, finite, mortal being sways the regal sceptre!

But it will be asked, "Has not God himself, in His law, given the Israelitish nation a right to choose a king like unto the nations around?" If by this it is intended to justify the assertion, that the Theocracy consequently lasted till the time of Saul only: one thing is evident—that those who maintain this assertion, are ignorant of the import of the term Theocracy. For so they make the Theocracy nothing more than an ordinary monarchy, differing in this respect, that in the former God, in the latter, man is the supreme head. But is this the import of the term? Assuredly not; for this, as we have seen, would lead to an impious absurdity. What then, was the real nature of the Theocracy? A just answer to this question will shew not only that the Theocracy lasted as long as Israel constituted a nation, but that, in a modified degree it exists and plays an important part, even now among the civilized nations of the earth.

Theocracy signifies the government of God But how did that government manifest itself? How did God govern the people? Did He, like some despot, say: "I am the law; me ye shall slavishly obey?" By no means! The constitution of Moses is eminently democratic. Consent, not force, lies at the basis of the government. The people, represented by the heads of tribes and the elders of families, have a share in the administration. The elder of the house stands most intimately related to those whom he represents in the national assembly. Their interests are essentially his own; and consequently what was enacted in the senate of elders had a binding force upon the whole nation—what the sage patriarchs resolved, became a sacred duty to the whole household. Moreover, the equal distribution of landed estates (after the conquest of Palestine), and the inalienableness of these (by means of the year of jubilee), clearly indicate those fundamental characteristics of a Republic—equal rights, equal claims to civil promotion, no superior, no inferior classes. Nay, more, the Republic of Moses was built upon a more liberal basis than even our own, as held by some in our day. For where in all the political platforms of the so-called American party, will you find that fundamental principle, "There shall be one law unto him that is a native of the land, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you;" "Like the native shall be unto you the stranger that dwelleth among you; thou shalt love him like thyself?"

But to return—What has become of the Theocracy? Can it be consistent with a Republic? We answer most decidedly, yes. How, then, does God rule in a republican state? The answer simply is: through the law. Let us for a moment consider how God gained obedience to that law. Israel had been, for a long period in a state of slavery under the Egyptian Pharaohs. At length, by the strong hand of the Almighty, they are redeemed and brought safely across the waters of the Red Sea. God, then, is their deliverer, and would from this fact alone, aside from that of his being the Creator of all things, to whom therefore all things belong, be entitled to impose His law upon the people and enforce its observance. But no—the Hebrew nation is delivered from bondage in Egypt, not to be cast into another form of bondage, but to be free, and to learn from the Divine Source the true principles of government. And how is this thought about? By the free will of the people, unanimously declaring "all that the Lord commandeth us we will do." He who "bore them on eagles' wings from the house of bondage," is solemnly elected to be their Supreme Head. Then follows the giving of that divine, moral code, the Decalogue—which above all other ancient or modern legislation has received the universal approbation of mankind. Again, the solemn compact between the Lord and Israel is renewed at Mount Horeb; and thus with their own consent, the Israelites are governed by a law, founded on the fundamental principles of monotheism, justice and morality, and through that law they are forever ruled by the Father of the universe.

The introduction of this theocratic element into the Mosaic Constitution did not preclude any form of civil government. On the contrary the different changes which occured in the character of the chief magistracy under Moses, Joshua, the judges and kings were all equally allowed by the law of the Pentateuch. Whatever title the head of the civil administration assumed, did not give him power of a legislater, but only of an administrater of the divine law, to which all, both subject and ruler, were equally bound. In case a king was chosen and consecrated by the sacred oil, he acted but as viceroy,—God was king forever. The main features of the constitution, and, what is specially important, the administration of justice, remained always the same. "The functionaries of justice," "though holding their office in the name of God, admidistered justice, not according to sound common sense, and on the ground of the written law, known and manifest to all. God, then, according to the contents of the Pentateuch, renounced, if we may so express ourself, the right of being perpetually the lawgiver of the people, and hence none dared to assume that right in His name....God is the lawgiver of the people, and once for all concluded. This is the essence of the Hebrew Theocracy."

It was an idea worthy of the first and greatest lawgiver. What purer, what grander principle of political wisdom is there on record? "It is precisely that," as Herder well remarks in his Spirit of Hebrew Poetry, "for which all wise men have labored, but which Moses alone, at so early a period, had a heart to carry into effect, namely:—that a law should govern and not a lawgiver; that a free people should adopt it of their own free will, and voluntarily observe it; that an invisible, rational, beneficient Power shall control us, and not fetters and chains."

OUR NEW YORK LETTER.

[From the Resident Correspondent of THE HEBREW.]

NEW YORK, November 3d, 1873.

EDITOR HEBREW:—We had already occasion to speak in laudable terms about Commissioner Myer Stern of the Department of Charities and Correction, of this city. Since his appointment to that responsible office, he has introduced many important improvements, which seem all so natural and practical that we are astonished that it has taken years of abuse before a real benevolent man thought of introducing them. When young boys of 8 to 12 years were transported to the different houses of correction, the officers who had charge of the boys, manacled them like old criminals, very likely for the convenience of these men. Mr. Stern justly remarked that by such inhuman treatment all feelings of honor were stifled in these boys without necessity. The abuse was abolished, and it is now noticed with satisfaction that less boys attempt and succeed to escape than was formerly the case.

Another important move of Mr. Myer Stern, especially under the present gloomy prospects for the winter, was the employment of all unoccupied rooms in public buildings of the city, for lodgings of the poor. Mr. Stern has made arrangements that the homeless should find warmed lodgings and warm meals, and no one be exposed to the cold of the winter, if he can prevent it.

The Directors of the Mount Sinai Hospital have also made a move into the right direction. There existed a peculiar rule for admission of patients, which excluded many cases of great need, not as much of medical treatment as of a quiet place to recover health or ameliorate bodily sufferings. Whoever was considered incurable was refused admittance, while the Sisters of Charity and other Christian hospitals opened their gates for such suffering Jews. The following resolutions were adopted to remedy that evil: "Admission to the Mount Sinai Hospital is granted to all who may suffer from any form of disease which can be benefitted by any medical or surgical treatment, except those of a contagious nature. Resolved, that the rule governing the admission of incurable cases be so amended as to read, 'Incurable diseases may be received, when there is reason to believe that relief can be afforded. The continuance in the hospital is to be determined by the Executive Committee.'" We shall be thankful for this improvement in the management of the hospital, and hope for further progress.

The Maimonides Library Association has given its first entertainment on Sunday last, at the Germania Theatre. The President of the Association opened the entertainment with a speech. He spoke of the necessity of a public Jewish library, and asked encouragement for the efforts of the Association to provide the same. Mr. Oscar Guttman read Gutzkow's "Uriel Acosta." This classical work in the hands of such an able elocutionst as Mr. Guttman could not fail to give the fullest satisfaction, and the numerous audience left this first entertainment of the season with the wish to have similar feasts very often offered.

A call has been addressed to Dr. Felix Adler inviting him to deliver a series of lectures. He accepted the invitation, and selected for his themes "The Fall of Jerusalem," "Bramah" and "Martyrs and Martyrdom." The course will embrace six lectures, and undoubtedly attract large audiences.

The Congregation Pool Zedek, an orthodox community in the strictest sense, has engaged Dr. H. Schneeberger as their minister. Dr. Schneeberger is a young man, a native of this city, who has finished his studies under Dr. Hildesheimer, of Berlin. He is very conservative in his views and has so far strictly adhered to the teachings of his Rabbi.

At the election to-morrow, only one Israelite appears among the numerous candidates, who are to be voted for. It don't seem that the Israelites as a whole don't take interest in politics, or are not enabled to fill any of the offices in the gift of the people, but that the different parties slided them for various reasons, which they may feel sorry for in future. The republican party even neglected the Germans at their conventions, and a victory of the democratic party may be expected.

Truly years, S.

WOMEN AS MEMBERS OF THE A. J. O. K. S. B.

EDITOR HEBREW:—"Have women an interest in the 'Kesher Shel Barzel' or in secret institutions."

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"Male and female created He them." Notwithstanding the female are exempt by the laws of modesty and nature (in this good Republic) to follow the plough, to tread the slippery shrouds, to climb the giddy mast, etc., yet by the laws of God and our beloved country, they are the equal recipient of the blessings of the harvest and all other benefits accruing from these industries. The fact that they are excluded from participating in the fatigues of politics, is by no means a bar for them to share the blessings of laws legislated for civilization. Of course there are many other callings they know perhaps but little of, still they are nevertheless partaker of their fruits. They enjoy all the advantages in order to make them feel that they are the first help-mates in all that tends to the welfare of mankind, and by being admitted to participate in an institution created for the purpose to help its fellow-men, they are thereby made to feel that they are help-mates to all that is noble in man, of which they are a part and party.

The venerable position in which God in his wisdom has placed them, makes it a necessity for them to be help-mates. Let it be understood that the K. S. B. pays the highest compliment in its power to the fairest position of the divine creation; the precious jewels inherited from Rebecca are placed upon them to adorn the household of Israel, with instructions never to be lost, the Rebbeccas are links in the great chain that unites men in the good common cause of being useful to their fellow-men, and likewise familiarizes them with the internal work of the Order, that their influences and capacities might be recognized and strengthened. "Have women an interest?" They have. When the father, son or brother in a distant land takes sick, is it not a solace to them to know that the springs of kindness and assistance are opened to cool a fevered brow and allay the pain of these sufferers by their timely aid. Is it not a comfort to their heart to know that one who was loved, guarded from the first morning which heralded his being, with all the tenderness of a mother's or sister's heart, was attended to by brethren, and suffered not to die alone. His sick chamber was cheered by the daily visits of his brethren; the stillness of solitude by night which throw a tomb-like gloom through the place he lay was banished by the appearance and presents of nursing brethren; the pillow pressed by the aching head was smoothed by their sympathetic hands. Is it not enough for them to know that the dearest of their affection was attended to in every respect kindly and gently. Is it not a solace and bliss to them under such circumstances to know that the affectionate offices of the "Kesher Shel Barzel" were not forgotten in the late plague at Shreveport and Memphis, that the afflicted, stricken with this terrible scourge, were attended to. The timely assistance rendered fell upon them like a fragrant dew that dispels the fearful odor of the pest house; it brought a ray of hope into their afflicted souls, it hightened their courage and revived their faint spirit.

As to the internal work of the order in which they are new to participate, they share the means which the stronger arm prepares, and are a concert to the plans of relief. The women's affectionate nature and sympathetic heart are needed in all well regulated societies to apply the means which have been provided for the comfort and cheering of the needy, the sufferers and the friendless; such is the relation to us by their presence. In fact the Rebeccas are "designed to bring angels down and raise men to heaven." Directly they inherit all the gifts of the institution, enjoy its moral and social influences, also compensate with privileges of an active participation in the business of the association. Their mission is fulfilled. The manifestations made to Moses on Mount Sinai, "Love your Creator in the love you have for your fellows," is as binding upon them as it is with the sterner creature. The good examples of the mother of Israel are accorded by the imitation of her daughters; they are a pattern of chastity and virtue and are the ornaments of the household of Israel and to society.

GRAY'S OPERA HOUSE.—Italian Opera will be given at this theatre, Sunday and Thursday next.

THE CATHOLICS AND THE JEWS.

The new crusade of the Roman Catholics against the Jews is scarcely explicable. When one considers the present condition of European politics, one might rationally suppose that it would be for the interest of the Ultramontane party to conciliate every shade of opinion, and especially liberal opinion. There is a Catholic candidate for the throne of France whose chances of success seem nearly assured. There is a Catholic aspirant for the throne of Spain, whose chances are not by any means so certain. Catholicism is at a discount in Germany; it is by no means at a premium in Austria; it is below par in Italy; in France its hopes depend on the restoration of the Bourbon monarchy. In England Catholicism rides rampant for the moment, resting its pretensions on the success of pilgrimages to Paray-le-Monial and on an apparent bias of the High Church towards the views of Rome, though probably the High Church would disavow such proclivities. In the United States, Catholicism has made many struggles for supremacy, but in vain; it is not likely that that creed would have much chance in a country which was in fact founded on the efforts of Non-conformists anxious to establish liberty of conscience and general toleration on a political basis. In Russia the Catholicism of Rome is not likely to have much hope of supremacy, for there the Greek Church reigns triumphant and its views resemble more nearly those of the Reformed Church of Protestant countries than the Christianity of the Western Empire. Indeed so nearly allied are the Greek Catholics to the Protestants of Western Europe that at one time a fusion between the two churches was contemplated and nearly carried into effect; and assuredly there is not likely to be much difference between the British Prince and the Russian Princess so soon to be, we hope, allied in marriage, on any point of religious opinion. In Holland the Roman Catholics have never obtained any decided position since the expulsion of the Spaniards in the 16th century. In Belgium they have always had a hard battle to fight, from the days of the great War of Liberation until the constitutional struggles under the Saxe Coburg dynasty. In those provinces of the German Empire which are especially Prussian, the strong Protestant opinions entertained by the guiding spirit of that Empire, Prince Von Bismarck (a man whose character so nearly resembles Cromwell's that Englishmen, true to their historical inspirations, have not failed to admire him), who has shown such a bold front to the advance of Ultramontane opinions.

The only reasonable explanation that can be offered for this new religious war of Catholicism against Judaism lies in the fact that it has always been the policy of the Church of Rome to oppose intellectual advancement, whatever be the form it may assume. The intellectual power of the Jews has long been recognized in Christendom. That intellectual power is no novelty. In the dark days of the middle ages the intellect of the exiled children of Israel preserved Art, Science and Literature. The intellectual power of Judaism preserved to the world religion and morality—that religion and that morality which were vouchsafed to humanity by the instrumentality of the Jews. In latter years, the intellectual power given to God's chosen people has manifested itself in various ways. When every avenue to fame and distinction was closed to them, except the road to commercial eminenece, the Jews, by industry and skill supplemented by probity, commanded the Mart, the Exchange and the Market. When other roads were thrown open to them; when the Universities, the Schools, the Bar, the Senate, the Municipal Council Chamber opened their doors to the Jews; they took their place in every arena, they battled in every competion, they won laurels and they achieved triumphs. It is singular that the Roman Catholics, instead of recognizing these facts instantly, struggled with them and tried to settle the account by their rabid abuse of the Jews. If the Roman Catholics have made a mistake, why do they not own it? Why do they endeavor to maintain an untenable position? Surely this is bad generalship. It is best to yield a badly defended citadel rather than to attempt to hold it against impossible odds. Now the New the Non-Conformists, as for instance, the Methodists and Unitarians (though these can scarcely be called Non-Conformists), have appreciated the position with conscientiousness and intelligence. The excellent articles published in the *Methodist Recorder* and in the *Inquirer* (the organ of the Unitarians) show at once that these sections of our Christian brethren fully understand on the one hand the significance of the position attained by, and due to, the Jews; and on the other hand the position so unfortunately taken up by the Roman Catholics. It seems to us that it would have been wise if the Roman Catholics, instead of pluming themselves on their false security; instead of imagining themselves to be the Real Power in England (and if they lull themselves to sleep on this security they will have a melancholy re-awakening); should rather have appreciated the fact that there are, as there undoubtedly are, new powers rising and new influences making themselves manifest in the political and intellectual world; and that each power or influence has its right to make itself heard. If Roman Catholicism had been as astute as it is popularly supposed to be, it would have seen the expediency of allying itself to a system, such as Judaism for instance represents. Thus it would have made for itself a stronger position. On the contrary it has chosen to make an enemy of the Jewish community. We will willingly admit that there are certain points in common between the system of Judaism and the system of Roman Catholicism; each represents obedience to recognized authority, each represents implicit belief in Divine revelation, each represents a solidly built and a strongly founded church, each appeals through the senses by brilliant observances, by festal institutions, by ancient customs. The Jew, however, appeals for a recognition of its truth, not to the deliberation of conclaves, nor to decrees of States or Acts of Parliament, but on the Voice which as the teachers of our system believe came to earth direct from Heaven. May we also add that the Catholic Church has reason to be grateful to the Jews not only for the doctrines and the moralities which it has borrowed from them and which it practices to this day with but slight modifications.—*Jewish Chronicle.*

WEDNESDAY evening next, at Sander's Hall, the Montefiore Social Club, will give one of their pleasant parties, always so enjoyable to all participants.

A JEWISH WEDDING IN COCHIN-CHINA.

The following interesting description of the ceremony and festivities attending a Jewish marriage in Cochin-China appeared lately in the "Church of Scotland Missionary Record":

Last night we went over the harbor to the Jews' Town, some two miles off. It is the most interesting thing I have yet seen in India.

There were some five hundred native Jews, speaking the Mallibaum tongue, who say they are the descendants of the lost tribes of Judah after the second temple was burned. At all events, they have a metal plate with a charter, giving them the land twelve hundred years ago. They are, many of them, very rich, and all nearly as fair as we are. Such beautiful children I never saw, and the ladies are also good-looking. The resident, Captain Castor, knows them well, and had given them notice of our approach, so that the chief men were down at the boat to receive us on our arrival. We first shook hands with all around, and took off our hats to them, and were taken in procession to the synagogue, where the ceremonies of the Jewish faith have been most strictly kept up. The youngest child present (a pretty idea) was told to open the veil into their holiest of holies, where the rolls of the law are, and the silver crown. We, of course, took off our hats, but every one else had to put off their slippers. Then one of the chief men, clothed in beautiful robes with cloth embroidery, and a gold coronet round his head, with some blushing, invited us to his wedding, which was to take place at night. As a very special favor, we were asked to visit the bride, and found her sitting in cloth of gold, with splendid gold coins round her neck. She was rather pretty, aged twenty. Her sisters and various other ladies crowded around us when we took the chairs of ceremony. I, being considered the principal person, gave my congratulations and good wishes (of course through an interpreter), and she said, "I am happy." Then I examined the coins round her neck, and showed them that the head upon the sovereign at my watch-chain was the same, George II., only their coins were six times the size. As we left, I thought the group on the quay the most picturesque and touching sight I ever saw—men and children, all in white and blue, with gold about them, so white and delicate in this fierce land of the sun; so polite and gentle, and quite different from any thing I have seen; with known history and traditions far older than the Hindoos and people about; reading and believing, just as we do, the Bible, to a certain point. At the marriage last night, Hebrew prayers and psalms were chanted by the men, all of whom wore gold and jewels; then a barbaric sound of music was heard, and the bride came into the church covered with a veil, and took a seat next to me. She was then covered with an extinguisher of thick muslin, which must have made her very hot, while the bridegroom came up and gave her wine out of a cup. Then a child chanted the words of the marriage contract, which the bridegroom signed, and put a ring on her finger. We then walked down the street to the house in a procession of the following nature, and an odd one it was: 1st, a revolving frame, with hundreds of lights; 2d, a hobby-horse, which turned out eventually to be a firework; 3d, men throwing spears up in the air; 4th, men letting off fireworks as we went along; 5th, the band, and such music! then we came; then the couple; and, lastly, the ladies of the place. The whole mixed up with a dense crowd of naked savages. It was intensely picturesque, and intensely hot. At the house we shook hands with the bride, and went back to our boat, escorted by the band and fireworks.

MR. C. E. WATKINS, whose splendid Views of California Scenery received the Grand Prize at the late International Exhibition in Vienna, left on Wednesday last, in his own special car for a trip to the Rocky Mountains, to bring us back more wonders and glories of Grand Scenery there. Mr. Watkin's Photographic Establishment, 22 and 26 Montgomery street, is superintended over by most eminent artists, and will, during the proprietor's absence, continue to turn out the finest Photographs in the city.

THE GREAT RACE.—Great excitement prevails amongst all classes in our city owing to this great trial of speed. Ample accommodations is offered by the management, to enable the public to be present at the Ocean View Driving Park, Saturday next. Trains will leave San Jose Station, 8, 11, 12, 1 and 2.20 and the fare for the round trip, to and from Industrial School Station, is placed at the moderate sum of 50 Cents.

AT Platt's Hall Tuesday, Nov. 18th, a grand Ball, in aid of Deborah Rebecca Lodge, No. 3 K. S. B. will take place. Great preparations have been made to make this a very select affair.

PROF. VANEK.—This eminent Prestigitateur will commence a season Monday next, at Mercantile Library Hall. All those not having witnessed the bewildering feats of the above named gentleman, should not lose the opportunity he offers to the public.

PLATT'S HALL.—To-night, Mr. Herne will produce the celebrated piece "Lighthouse Cliffs," especially written for him. Saturday afternoon Grand Matinee.

—The special attention of our readers, connected with mining interests is called to the advertisement of the Whelpley & Storer Ore Mills, 215 and 217 Main street, which will be found in another column of this paper. These Mills are well known to be the best and most complete on this coast. The facilities they offer for crushing as well as sampling of ore are on the same footing with those of the most celebrated European and American Mills, while their extensive storage rooms, enable them to store away any quantity of goods. The whole work in these Mills, is being carried out under Superintendence of Mr. G. D. Wyman, whose abilities as an expert Crusher and Sampler are too well known to need any further recommendation.

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HATS ON OR HATS OFF. *)

An den geehrten Redakteur des „Hebrew!" — Die seit Kurzem mit der Ueberschrift "Hats on or Hats off" versehene in der „Alta" zu wiederholtem Male erschienenen Artikel, in welchem weder eine Spur von Polemik, noch von irgend einer wissenschaftlichen Abhandlung, wie sie ein solches Thema mit Recht beansprucht, beobachtet wurde, hat weder die Beachtung Ihres vielgelesenen Blattes erhalten, noch hat dieser Gegenstand, irgend einer ausführlichen Besprechung, eines Fachgelehrten sich erfreut, wodurch so wohl den Anforderungen der Zeit, als auch der Kultur im Judenthum, die gebührende Rechenschaft getragen worden wäre, sondern nur mit Stillschweigen ist der ganze Gegenstand ohne Reflektion und Berücksichtigung, jenem Geschicke anheimgefallen, welches das Loos aller solch seichtgehaltenen Skribeleien ist, womit die Spalten unserer Tagesblätter ausgestattet sind; sie gehen dahin, wohin sie gehören. Man wirft sie in den Schnitzel- oder Kladd-Korb, ohne sich ferner um sie zu bekümmern. Nur bedauert man, daß solch ein erleuchtetes Institut, wie es die Emanu El Congregation repräsentiren will, noch so weit hinter der Zeit zurück steht, um über solche schon längst entschiedene Dogmen noch in Zweifel sein zu können.

Und so weit hätte man ohne zu hadern, die Lösung dieser Frage, welche doch nur eine Frage der Zeit ist, dem Geiste der Zeit anheimgestellt, der ohne alle Gewaltsmittel, die Bande der Unwissenheit lockern und lösen, den Damm der Vorurtheile durchbrechen und beseitigen, auf friedlichem Wege eine freie Bahn zur Geistesfreiheit sich bahnen wird.

Und dieses führte es herbei, daß die friedlich gesinnten es vermieden das Wort zu ergreifen, um keinen Zankapfel in das Weichbild einer friedlichen Gemeinde hinein zu werfen.

Doch anders wollte es unser gelehrten Correspondent in seinem Emeth, deutsch: Wahrheit, endosirten Schriftstück in der Alta des letzten Sonntags. Anstatt mit Ruhe den betreffenden Gegenstand dem Gebahren der Zeit zu überlassen, läßt derselbe ein Geistesprodukt vom Stapel laufen, welches in einer so schmachvollen und boshaften Sprache gehalten, den Charakter eines unserer würdigsten Männer besudelt, so daß es nun mehr die Aufgabe Ihres Blattes ist als öffentliches Organ dieses schimpfliche Betragen mit spitziger Feder zu rügen, so wie es die Sache eines jeden Ehrenmannes ist für die Ehre eines Ehrenmannes das Wort zu ergreifen.

Emeth, Wahrheit schimpft sich dieser Zeitungsartikel, in welchem doch kein Spur von Wahrheit oder Wahrhaftigkeit zu finden ist.

Der Wahrheit entbehrt dieser Aufsatz, da das in Frage stehende Ceremonialgesetz, welches der Casus Belli ist, weder ein biblisches noch rein talmudisches ist, und Wahrhaftigkeit ist wahrlich die Tugend unserer modernen Orthodoxen nicht, da die Meisten derselben nicht 10 Procent von den 613 Geboten, welche der Codex der Orthodoxie enthält, gewissenhaft befolgen, und daher mit sich selbst nur stets im Widerspruche stehen, folglich jeder Wahrhaftigkeit baar und ledig sind.

Ich achte bestimmt die Orthodoxen und die Träger derselben, obgleich ich nicht einer derselben sein will; jedoch muß sie Consequenz, Charakter und Stettigkeit besitzen, und nicht eine schielende, hinkende, sich selber ungleiche Orthodoxie sein, deren Bekenner weder Theologen noch Philosophen sind.

Ich ersuche daher der Wahrheit halber die Zeilen mit dem Bemerken in die Spalten Ihres Blattes aufzunehmen, daß ich soeben zur Beruhigung unseres geehrten gekränkten Doktors vernommen habe, daß eine Specialversammlung zum Zwecke einer Apologie für denselben für die nächsten Tage anberaumt ist.

Und zum Troste für unsern geehrten Doktor gedenke ich jener großen Männer, die ebenfalls als Martyrer der guten Sache leiden mußten, deren Namen heute noch die Blätter der Weltgeschichte schmücken, als ein Socrates, Copernicus, Galilei u. a. m. Und mit Letzteren wird auch einst der Doktor in seiner Beharrlichkeit ausrufen:

E pur si muove.

Epstein.

*) Von dem Grundsatze ausgehend, allen Parteien ihr Recht der Selbstvertheidigung zu gönnen, haben wir der obigen Zuschrift einen Platz in den Spalten des „Hebrew" nicht verwehren dürfen, ohne daß wir uns jedoch durch die Aufnahme derselben für verpflichtet halten, die in ihr ausgesprochenen Ansichten zu theilen. D. R.

Die Fabersche Sprech-Maschine, welche im Osten das größte Aufsehen erregt, hat nun auch unsere Stadt mit ihrem Besuche beehrt, und wurde gestern von ihrem Erbauer privatim einem Kreise von Eingeladenen präsentirt. Treu den menschlichen Stimm-Organen nachgebildet, ist die Maschine in der That ein wahres Meisterstück der Technik zu nennen, das in seinem Hersteller ein technisches Genie ersten Ranges erkennen läßt. Mit nur wenig vom menschlichen sich unterscheidendem Tonfalle läßt die Sprechmaschine die schwierigsten Worte, ja ganze Satzperioden klar und deutlich vernehmen, ohne daß diese letzteren den Eindruck des künstlich hervorgebrachten, machen der sonst gewöhnlich diesen Produktionen anzuhaften pflegt. In allen Sprachen ist Herrn Faber's Kunstwerk zu Hause, selbst eine hebräische Sentenz gab sie zum Besten und war so galant derselben den Namen des Herausgebers dieser Blätter hinzuzufügen. Die Sprechmaschine verdient jedenfalls das Interesse unseres Publikums in ganz besonderem Maße.

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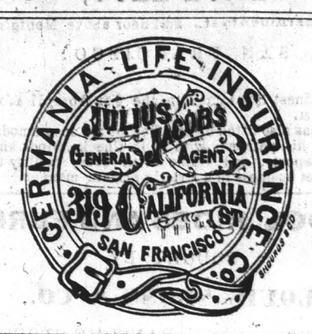

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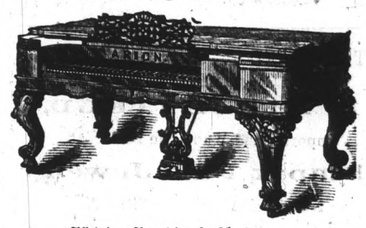

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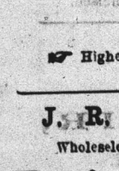
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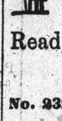
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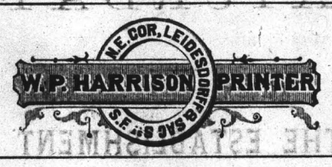

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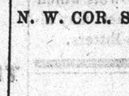
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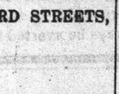
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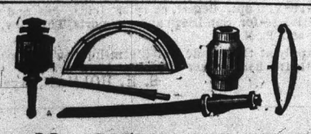

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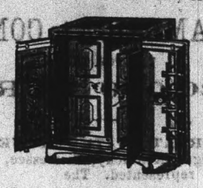

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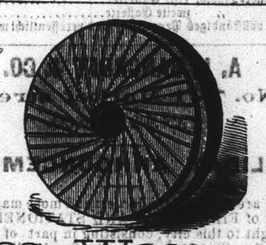
DR. SHERMAN is now in San Francisco, and may be consulted daily at his office, 240 Montgomery street. Those who are ruptured should see him personally, as his great experience after thirty years constant devotion to this specialty is very valuable in view of relief and cure. His Book on Rupture, illustrated with photograph likenesses of bad cases before and after cure, he mails for 10 cents. It contains valuable information for the ruptured.



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— There are, surely, no more acceptable presents than those splendid Japanese Works of Art and Curiosities to be found at R. Meyer's Japanese Store, N. E. corner Pine and Montgomery streets. Travelers visiting our city should not fail to pay the place a visit and make a selection.

— Die California Möbelwaarenfabrik, 222, 224 und 226 Bush Straße, hat eine immense Auswahl, alles eigenes Fabrikat, von Möbel- und Bettwaren aller Arten. Es ist dieses wohl das größte Geschäft seiner Art in Amerika und verkauft, seines immensen Umsatz wegen, mit sehr kleinen Profit.

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MANY of our readers, especially ladies, will be thankful to us when we let them know the very best place in this city to purchase shoes of any description; it is at the old Pioneer Boot and Shoe Store of Henry Hinders, 332 Kearny street, between Pine and Bush. Boots and Shoes are made at this establishment to measure on the Anatomical Last, and always, warranted to fit. The largest stock of Ladies', Gents' and Children's Shoes in the city are to be found here.

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☞ We desire to draw the attention of our readers, especially, dealers in the interior, to the immense stock of Crockery, Glass Ware, Lamps, Cutlery, Plated Ware, China Ware, and Fancy Porcelain, at the Warerooms of Messrs. J. Cerf & Co., 515 Market street, opposite Battery. Owing to the great facilities possessed by above firm in direct importation, they are enabled to offer great bargains to their customers.

"CLOTHES make the man" is an old proverb, the truth of which our readers will surely have experienced already on themselves. To wear clothing of first-class make is therefore an unavoidable necessity for every one, who wants to appear a perfect gentleman. But clothing made in this city will not be called first-class, unless it comes from the establishment of Mr. J. S. Hand, No. 21 New Montgomery street, THE Merchant Tailor of S. F. Our readers will please bear this fact in mind.

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A PROMINENT FIRM.—It may not be amiss to devote an item to the well known firm of Owens & Moore, Commission Merchants, and Dealers in Wool and Hide. Woolgrowers will find it to their advantage to make all consignments to this reliable firm, as their long experience in business gives them great facilities and advantages, highly beneficial to consigners. Their dealings in Hides and Grain are very extensive. Mr. E. Moore represents the firm in Stockton and Mr. B. W. Owens, No. 405 Front street, in San Francisco.

TO THE TRAVELING PUBLIC.—We are in duty bound for the benefit of our readers, to state that the Overland House, No. 531 and 533 Sacramento street, is the most centrally located, best kept and cheapest this side of the Rocky Mountains. It is to a stranger more like a quiet home, than a public house, as the gentlemanly proprietor, Mr. J. E. Slinkey, is determined to make the Overland second to none in this city. The prices are extremely low, and the table the best the market affords. Go to the Overland and you will never patronize any other.

— Ein großer Vorrath der besten Groceries Weine, Liquöre, eingemachten Früchte, Delikatessen 2c. ist jederzeit zu finden in dem größten hiesigen deutschen Grocery Geschäfte der Herren Bowen Bros., 428, 430 und 432 Pine Straße zwischen Montgomery und Kearny. Benanntes Geschäft existirt seit einer Reihe von Jahren und ist als ein reelles allgemein bekannt und geachtet. Für dem genannten Etablissement ist ebenfalls Bowen Bros. erstes Premium Yeast Powder, unübertroffen an Reinheit und Stärke, zu haben. Probirt es einmal und Ihr werdet nie ein anderes benützen.

Geschenke für die Feiertage.—Als am meisten passende Geschenke für die kommenden Feiertage eignen sich vorzüglich die prachtvollen Goldwaaren und Schmucksachen des Col. A. Andrews, 221 Montgomery Str. Sämmtliche Artikel dieses Herrn, prima Qualität, sind auf das Geschmackvollste im neuesten Styl ausgeführt und werden billiger als bei irgend einem andern Hause hiesiger Stadt verkauft. Fremde, welche der Feiertage wegen unsere Platz besuchen, werden es in ihrem Interesse finden wenn sie obiger Firma einen Besuch abstatten ehe sie anderweitig ihre Einkäufe machen.

AMERICAN MANUFACTURES AT VIENNA. — It is announced that the specimens of boots and shoes and other leather work that have taken the highest premium at the Vienna Exposition were stitched on Wheeler & Wilson's New Sewing Machine No. 6, which is adapted to a much wider range of work in leather and cloth than any other machine in existence.

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IT will be interesting to those wishing to give their horses to board, or wanting to secure first-class turnouts, to learn that Mr. J. F. Wilson, well known for the last fifteen years in our city as a first-class Horseman, has purchased the Norfold Stables, 126 Ellis street, entire refitted them, and will open the same as First-class Boarding and Livery Stables, on or about October 1st. Especial attention will be paid to the care of fine horses.

— Messrs. Schroder & Albrecht, the well-known Candy Manufacturers, 226 Battery street, have their stock of all kinds of Candy widely enlarged, and offer to the public a great and fine selection of German, American and French Candies, Statues of Sugar, Nuts, and all kinds of Tropical Fruits. A great choice of Fragrant Statues, Gold and Silver Leaves for decoration constantly on hand and can be had at moderate prices. The attention of our readers is especially called to their fine Marcipan Statues and Gilded Nuts. Orders from the country promptly executed.

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— Unter den vielen Geschäften in San Francisco, welche dem Verkaufe von Klaviren obliegen, ist eins der rührigsten unstreitig das des Herrn Curtaz, No. 20 O'Farrel Straße. Der emsigen Thätigkeit dieser Herrn ist es gelungen das Arion Piano, dessen Agentur er übernommen hat, in so weiten Kreisen einzuführen. Augenblicklich jedoch ist dem Arion Piano ein gefährlicher Konkurrent erwachsen und zwar in Gestalt des Young Pianos, ebenfalls in der Agentur des Herrn Curtaz, welches, obgleich es all die guten Eigenschaften des Arion Pianos besitzt, doch bei weitem billiger ist als dieses. Für Familien, welche zu billigem Preise ein ausgezeichnetes Instrument zu kaufen wünschen, ist das Young Piano wie geschaffen.

— Wir machen unsere Leser auf die in unserer nächster Number erscheinende Beschreibung des neuen diebessichere Geldspindes der Pioneer Land und Loan Association, welches von Macneale & Urban, Cincinnati, verfertigt und von deren hiesigen Agenten, Hrn. Geo. A. Raymond geliefert worden, ganz besonders aufmerksam.

— Wenn Damen elegante und güte Ellenwaaren kaufen wollen, sollten sie nach Kerby, Byrne u. Co., 11 Montgomery Straße gehen.

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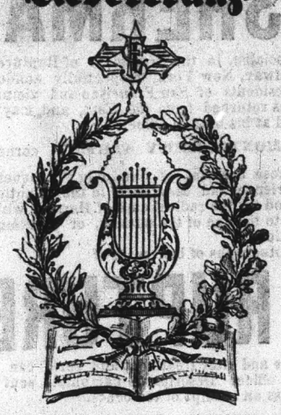

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While in this State we have the numerous get of Norfolk, Lodi, Rifleman, Langford, Belmont, and others to select from. These horses are all either now here or on their way, and the novel sight of four stables of thoroughbred horses, with their owners, trainers, riders, grooms, and friends traveling three thousand miles to contest for the supremacy of the turf, was never before witnessed in the world.

It will be recollected that in August last the Pacific Jockey Club, being assured of the liberal assistance and hearty co-operation of their fellow citizens, advertised a purse of $20,000 for a race of four miles and repeat, to rule, to come off in San Francisco or vicinity, on the fifteenth of November 1873, good day and good track, divided as follows:

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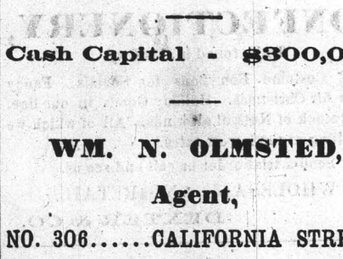

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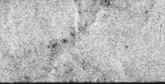

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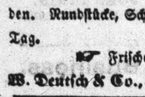

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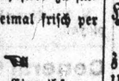

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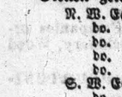

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Du lügst! antwortete einer der Räuber, Du bist ein Spion, herausgekommen, unser Versteck auszuspähen und zu verrathen. Du mußt sterben, Jude!

Vergebens beschwor Rabbi Sabbathai die Räuber, vergebens versicherte er, daß er nur ein Nachtlager gesucht, vergebens versprach er, keinem Menschen den Aufenthaltsort der Räuber mitzutheilen — man nahm ihm seine Baarschaft und knebelte ihn. Schon erhob einer der Räuber eine Axt, um dem Gefangenen den Kopf zu spalten, als ein anderer ihm in den Arm fiel und rief:

Warte doch, Wenzislaw, bis unser Hauptmann kömmt. Du weißt, er beansprucht die Justiz für sich allein.

Du hast Recht! entgegnete der erste Räuber und ließ das erhobene Beil sinken. Dann schleuderte er den gefesselten Rabbi in den Hintergrund der Höhle und legte sich, nachdem er die vorher unvorsichtiger Weise offengebliebene Thüre geschlossen hatte, wieder nieder, um den aufs Neue gefüllten Methkrug zum Munde zu führen.

Bald darauf hörte man den Anschlag eines Hundes.

Der Hauptmann kömmt! riefen die Räuber und erhoben sich zur Begrüßung ihres Anführers.

Es war eine schöne, kräftige, noch jugendliche Gestalt, dieser Hauptmann, der die Tracht der litthauischen Edelleute trug.

Nun, Hauptmann, riefen ihm die Seinen entgegen, war Dein Weg vom Glücke gesegnet?

Nicht sehr, entgegnete der Hauptmann, wir haben nichts als ein junges Fräulein gefangen, das uns vielleicht ein beträchtliches Lösegeld bringen wird. Willusch führt es langsam hierher.

Da tönte plötzlich aus dem Hintergrunde der Höhle der Ruf:

Wratislaw!

Wer wagt es hier, meinen Namen zu nennen? rief der Hauptmann mit fürchterlicher Stimme.

Die Räuber zitterten; der Hauptmann hatte es verboten seinen edlen Namen, den er mit Schande belastet hatte, auszusprechen.

Wratislaw! rief es noch einmal, komm, rette, befreie mich, wie ich einst Dich befreit habe!

Ist es möglich, rief da der Hauptmann, ist das nicht meines Jugendfreundes Sabbathai Stimme?

Und er eilte in den Hintergrund der Höhle und zog den Gefangenen hervor. Mit dem Dolche durchschnitt er die Bande, die Sabbathai fesselten; dann ließ er einen Stuhl herbeibringen und setzte den Rabbi darauf, reichte ihm den Methbecher und hieß den Halbohnmächtigen sich erquicken; dann küßte der wilde Räuberhauptmann dem Rabbi die Hand und rief:

Sabbathai, Sabbathai, Du bist der Einzige, bei dem ich jemals Mitleid gefunden in allen Widerwärtigkeiten des Lebens, die mich zu dem gemacht haben, was ich bin!

VIII.

Wratislaw hatte dem Rabbi seine Baarschaft wiederreichen lassen und erzählte ihm dann die lange Reihe seiner Schicksale. Eigenes Verschulden hatte den jungen, feurigen, hochbegabten Mann in entsetzliche Lagen gebracht. Fremde Härte war hinzugetreten, bis der einst hoffnungsvolle junge Mann immer tiefer sank und unnmehr an der Spitze einer Räuberschaar raubte und mordete. Rabbi Sabbathai hatte ihn aussprechen lassen; dann hielt er ihm das Abscheuliche seiner Handlungsweise vor und redete mit der ganzen Gluth eines gottbegeisterten Herzens zu dem ehemaligen Gespielen. Das durch die wachgerufenen Jugenderinnerungen ohnehin weichgestimmte Gemüth des Räubers war empfänglich für das Wort des Rabbi; der Hauptmann bedeckte sein Gesicht mit beiden Händen und fing an, bitterlich zu weinen.

Da trat ein alter Räuber vor und schrie:

Bist Du ein altes Weib, Hauptmann, eine Memme, daß Du Dich von diesem Juden beschwatzen lässest? Denk an den Eid, den Du uns, den wir Dir geschworen!

Brauchst Du mich an meinen Eid zu erinnern, Janos? fuhr der Hauptmann wild auf. Schweig, oder mein Dolch wird Dich stumm machen für immer!

Ein finsteres Murren durchzog die Reihen der Räuber; einer von ihnen trat vor und sprach:

Hauptmann, Du weißt, wie treu ich Dir bin; dreimal habe ich, den Du nur Deinen treuen Olesniki nennst, Dein Leben gerettet. Sei kein Kind, Hauptmann, schicke diesen geschwätzigen Juden hinweg, daß er Dir das Herz nicht beschwere.

Es muß sein! sprach Wratislaw traurig; ich bin unauflöslich an diese da gekettet und mit ihnen an Raub und Mord. Ich bin ein Verlorener, Sabbathai! Lebe wohl, Du Freund meiner Jugend, und wenn Du hören wirst, daß den Räuberhauptmann Wratislaw sein Schicksal erreicht hat, so sende ein Gebet empor zum Allmächtigen, der die Missethaten rächt, der aber auch barmherzig und gnädig ist. Olesniki, begleite den Rabbi bis auf die Landstraße. Du bist mir darob verantwortlich, daß ihm bis dahin kein Schaden geschieht.

Ganz erschöpft von den Erlebnissen dieser furchtbaren Nacht, kam Rabbi Sabbathai am andern Morgen in dem Dorfe an, auf dessen Höhe noch vor wenigen Stunden das königliche Lustschloß gestanden; noch rauchten die Trümmer.

Bald fand Rabbi Sabbathai einen Glaubensgenossen, der ihm von dem Brande erzählte.

Ach, jammerte Samuel — so heiß der Erzähler, — hat doch dieser Brand uns Juden mehr als andere betroffen. Die schöne Esther, die Gespielin der Prinzessin, ist ein Raub der Flammen geworden!

Wie ein Donnerschlag traf diese Nachricht Rabbi Sabbathai. War, wie er gehofft hatte, Esther sein Kind, so hatte er sie jetzt zum zweiten Male und da auf immer verloren.

Die königliche Familie, für die es im Dorfe kein passendes Quartier gab, war bereits nach einem benachbarten Edelsitze gefahren. Nur wenige Diener waren noch an der Brandstätte beschäftigt, um aus dem Schutte noch manches Unverbrannte hervorzuschaffen. Einen derselben kannte Samuel; zu ihm führte er den Rabbi, und siehe, es war einer von jenen, die bei dem Jagdzuge im Walde und bei der Auffindung Esthers zugegen gewesen waren; er erzählte alle Einzelnheiten jenes Ereignisses, und Rabbi Sabbathai blieb kein Zweifel, daß es seine Tochter gewesen, die am königlichen Hof war erzogen worden. Und nun war sie verloren auf immer....verbrannt....verbrannt.

O, Gott, warum verfährst Du so hart mit Deinem Knechte?

So wollte Rabbi Sabbathai sprechen, aber er sprach nicht so; er schaute empor gen Himmel und rief:

Gerecht ist Gott in allen seinen Wegen und liebevoll in allen seinen Thaten; er ist ein wahrhafter Richter!

Noch einige Tage verharrte Rabbi Sabbathai in der Nähe der Brandstätte, um zu erfahren, ob man die verbrannten Gebeine seines Kindes auffinden würde. Als aber der Schutt hinweggeräumt und keine Spur gefunden war, da wanderte er mit traurigem Herzen dem wieder aufgebauten Städtchen Prinsk zu, betete am Grabe der Eltern und kehrte dann tiefbetrübt nach Holleschau zurück.

Als man ihn dort nach dem Ergebniß seiner Reise fragte, sagte er:

Ich habe von meinem Kleinod erst dann gehört, als er schon wieder verloren war. Gott hat gegeben, Gott hat genommen, der Name Gottes sei gelobt!

Armer, bedauernswerther Vater! Wie froh warst Du, die Höhle der Räuber verlassen zu dürfen! Wäre es Dir vergönnt gewesen, noch eine halbe Stunde dort zu weilen, Du hättest Deine Tochter wiedergefunden! Arme, vereinsamte Tochter! Stieg Dir wohl eine Ahnung auf, als Du in die Räuberhöhle geführt wurdest, daß Dein so sehnsüchtig herbeigewünschter Vater eine halbe Stunde zuvor in demselben Raume geathmet hatte?

Denn das Fräulein, von dessen Gefangennahme Wratislaw seinen Untergebenen berichtet hatte, war Niemand anders als Esther.

IX.

Als Esther von der langen und ungewohnten Wanderung sich zu Tode erschöpft fühlte, da wurde sie plötzlich angerufen:

Halt, mein schönes Püppchen! rief eine gebieterische, aber wohlklingende Männerstimme, wohin so allein in stiller Nacht?

Esther blieb stehen und vor ihr stand ein bewaffneter Mann, den Lauf eines Pistols auf sie richtend. Das erschreckte Mädchen sank in die Knie. Tödtet mich nicht! rief sie flehentlich.

Wer bist Du? fragte der Mann.

Ich bin ein armes Mädchen, eine elternlose Waise, entgegnete Esther, die sich lange auf diese Antwort vorbereitet hatte und entschlossen war, um keinen Preis ihren Aufenthalt am Königshofe zu verrathen. Die Kosacken haben mein Vaterhaus eingeäschert; seitdem habe ich bei harten, grausamen Verwandten gelebt; ihnen bin ich entflohen.

Du hast thöricht gehandelt, Kind! sprach Wratislaw, denn er war es. Komm, wir werden Dich Deinen Verwandten wiederzuführen, wenn sie tüchtig für Dich zahlen wollen. Willusch, führe das Fräulein in unser Quartier! ich gehe voraus.

Wir wissen bereits, wen Wratislaw in der Räuberhöhle vorfand. Willusch folgte ihm langsam mit Esther; aber Esther konnte fast nicht mehr gehen; Willusch brauchte viel Zeit, sie den weiten Weg zu führen, und so kam es, daß, als sie die Höhle betrat, Rabbi Sabbathai dieselbe bereits verlassen hatte, und doch sollte der kurze Aufenthalt des Vaters bei den Räubern der Tochter zum Segen gereichen.

Wratislaw war noch in weicher Stimmung; sein verlorenes, fluchbeladenes Leben hatte noch nie so schwer auf ihm gelastet wie in dieser Stunde; er saß stumm am Tische, den Kopf in die Hände gestützt. Erst die bewundernden Ausrufe der Räuber, als diese Esther erblickten, schreckten ihn aus seinem Sinnen hervor.

Willusch führte das junge Mädchen in die Höhle. Da stand sie, einer Königin gleich, und begehrlich hingen die Augen der Räuber an der Jungfrau.

Wie schön sie ist! rief Einer um dem Andern.

Komm her, mein Kind, sprach sanft der Hauptmann, während sein Auge mit Wohlgefallen auf dem Mädchen ruhte, und antworte meine Fragen.

Wie heißest Du?

Ich heiße Esther!

Wer war Dein Vater?

Mein Vater war ein jüdischer Rabbi!

Ein jüdischer Rabbi? Du aber hast das Aussehen einer Edeldame! Wie kömmt das?

Ach, das ist ja eben mein Unglück! Meine reichen und vornehmen Berwandten, die mich nach dem Ueberfall der Kosacken zu sich nahmen, sind dem Glauben der Väter untreu geworden. Sie wollten mich zum Abfalle zwingen und da bin ich ihnen entflohen.

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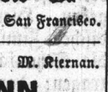

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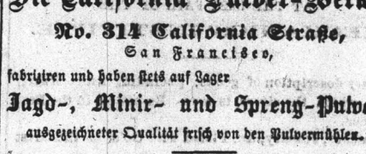

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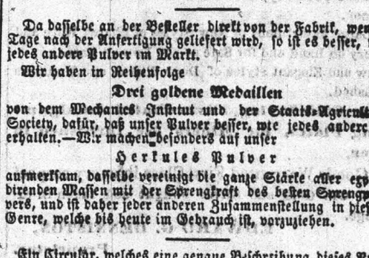

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Hauptmann, sagte Janos, ich bin Dir vorhin entgegengetreten; es war mir leid; aber es mußte sein. Jetzt will ich Dir beweisen, daß ich Dir ebenso treu bin wie irgend ein Anderer. Behalte das Mädchen bei Dir; sie versüße Dir die Stunden der Ruhe nach harter, blutiger Arbeit. Mein Auge, mein Arm sollen sie Dir bewahren, daß kein Anderer, Keiner von all den wilden Gesellen ihr nahe!

Willst Du bei mir bleiben! Esther? fragte der Hauptmann. Du wirst die Königin der Wälder sein und Du sollst leben wie eine Königin. Das Schönste und Beste, was dieser starke Arm gewinnt, soll für Dich sein und hundert tapfere Männer sollen Dir dienen wie leibeigene Knechte.

Da warf sich Esther dem Hauptmanne zu Füßen und umschlang seine Knie.

Tödte mich! rief sie schluchzend, aber zwinge mich nicht, irgend ein Unrecht zu begehen.

Hauptmann, riefen die Räuber, laß diese kostbare Beute nicht fahren! Solch' ein Mädchen findest Du nicht wieder in ganz Litthauen und Polen!

Und Esther erhob sich von ihren Knien; stolz aufgerichtet stand sie da, dem Hauptmanne fest ins Anbesicht schauend.

Hauptman sprach sie, denk' an den allmächtigen Gott, der die Missethaten rächt, der aber auch barmherzig und gnädig ist. Sei barmherzig mir, daß er einst auch mit Dir Barmherzigkeit übe!

Mädchen, fuhr da der Hauptmann auf, wer hat Dir die Worte in den Mund gelegt, die ich vor kaum einer Stunde zu dem Jugendfreunde sprach? Nun wohl, dem Freunde zu Liebe will ich Dein schonen. Wir werden Dich nach Wilna schicken und Dich dort gegen Lösegeld der jüdischen Gemeinde ausliefern. Du aber bist sicher bis dahin. Hört es, Ihr Mannen, wer sich unterfängt, diesem Kinde das Geringste zu thun wider seinen Willen, der ist des Todes!

Nachdem er so gesprochen, winkte er Willusch herbei und befahl ihm, dem jungen Mädchen in einem abgesonderten, verschließbaren Raume ein Lager zu bereiten, den Schlüssel aber Esther zu übergeben, damit sie von innen zuschließe. Den Dank des jungen Mädchens lehnte er ab; er winkte ihr, sich zu entfernen; als sie hinter der Thüre verschwunden war, sprach er vor sich hin: Ich glaube, Sabbathai, Du wirst mit mir zufrieden sein, wenn Du vernehmen wirst, was ich heute an einer Tochter Deines Volkes gethan habe!

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Seit Jahrhunderten ist Wilna eine Haupt- und Mutterstadt in Israel; dort wohnen 30,000 jüdische Seelen, nicht, wie einst in Deutschland, lediglich dem Kleinhandel, sondern fast allen Künsten und Handwerken ergeben. Hier wird ein Haus gebaut von jüdischen Zimmerleuten und Maurern, welche die Schaufäden an ihren Arbeitskleidern tragen; dort beschlägt ein jüdischer Hufschmied die Pferde und ein jüdischer Grobschmied läßt hart den Hammer auf den Ambos fallen. An der Spitze der Gemeinde standen von jeher große, berühmte Rabbinen, denen ein Rabbinatscollegium beigegeben ist.

Es muß wohl etwas Wichtiges vorgehen in der Gemeinde, denn man sieht die Rabinen wie die Vorsteher nach dem Gemeindehause eilen; die Handwerker unterbrechen einen Augenblick ihre Arbeit, um die Väter der Gemeinde ehrerbietig zu grüßen.

Da das Collegium versammelt ist, eröffnet der Oberrabbiner die Sitzung.

Meine Brüder, redet er die Versammelten an, ich habe Euch um einer großen und heiligen Sache willen versammelt. Es ist ein Bote von dem berüchtigten Räuberhauptmann Wratislaw an mich gesandt worden. Die Räuber haben ein jüdisches Mädchen gefangen und verlangen ein Lösegeld von 3,000 polnischen Gulden.

Kennt Ihr, fragte einer der Vorsteher, den Namen des Kindes und den seiner Eltern?

Ich kenne ihn nicht, antwortete der Rabbi. Das Mädchen behauptet, eine elternlose Waise und von grausamen Verwandten entflohen zu sein, die es zwingen wollten, sich taufen zu lassen; es weigert sich aber hartnäckig, den Namen seiner Verwandten zu nennen!

Und für eine Unbekannte, nahm der Vorsteher das Wort, sollen wir 3,000 Gulden zahlen, während die Gemeinde in Folge der Kosackenkriege verarmt ist? Ihr wißt doch, Rabbi, was die Weisen lehren; man soll die Gefangenen nicht höher als um ihren Sklavenwerth auslösen, damit die Räuber nicht Geschmack daran finden, Juden zu rauben und um hohen Preis zu verwerthen. Ich schlage vor, daß man den Räubern 500 Gulden biete, und im Weigerungsfalle das Mädchen seinem Schicksale überlasse.

Erlaubt mir, Herr Vorsteher, entgegnete der Rabbi, Euch zu bemerken, daß die von Euch erwähnte Vorschrift der Weisen auch Ausnahmen kennt, in denen es geboten, größere Opfer zu bringen. Wie mir der Bote berichtet hat, würden die Räuber den geringsten Anlaß gern ergreifen, das wunderbar schöne Mädchen bei sich zu behalten und für ihren Hauptmann zu bestimmen. Er warnte mich ausdrücklich davor, zu feilschen oder zu mäkeln.

Dann erzählte der Rabbi ausführlich, was er von dem Boten vernommen; er erzählte von dem gefangenen Rabbi, in dem der Hauptmann einen Jugendspielin erkannt hatte; er erzählte von dem Heldenmuthe des Mädchens und von seinen glühenden Eifer für den heiligen Glauben der Väter.

Alles war hingerissen von den beredten Worten des Rabbi, nur der erste Vorsteher nicht; er blieb dabei, daß die verarmte Gemeinde nicht im Stande sei, so große Opfer zu bringen. Seufzend mußten die übrigen Vorsteher ihm Recht geben.

Da erhob sich der Jüngste in der Versammlung, Rabbi Menacham hieß er; er war erst unlängst in das Collegium der Gemeinde eingetreten.

Ehrwürdige und geehrte Herren, sprach er, erlaubt mir, daß ich in diesem Falle der Gemeinde die Last abnehme; ich bin bereit, die 3,000 Gulden aus eigenen Mitteln zu tragen!

Ein Gemurmel des Beifalls durchzog die Versammlung. Der Oberrabiner reichte dem Sprecher die Hand und rief:

Gott segne Euch, Rabbi Menachem, und ersetze Euch hundertfach das große Opfer, das zu bringen Ihr so freiwillig übernommen habt.

Rabbi Menachem ging nach Hause, um seine Gattin, Gutta, von seinem Entschlusse zu benachrichtigen und das Geld zu holen. Gutta segnete ihren Gemahl ob seines großmüthigen Entschlusses. Noch an demselben Tage reiste Rabbi Menachem mit dem Boten der Räuber, um Esther abzuholen. In einem einsamen Wirthshause an der Landstraße fand er den Hauptmann, dem er das Geld überlieferte; dann führte ihm Wratislaw das zitternde Mädchen zu.

Haltet sie gut, sprach der Räuberhauptmann, sie verdient es.

Rabbi Menachem führte Esther in sein Haus; Gutta empfing sie mit der größten Freundlichkeit.

Armes Mädchen, sprach sie, so jung, so schön, und hast schon so viel leiden müssen!

O, entgegnete Esther, laßt mich Eure Magd sein. Ihr habt mich gekauft um hohen Preis, und ich bin Euer Eigenthum; ich will Euch dienen wie die Sklavin der Herrin.

Nicht doch, antwortete Gutta, meine Freundin, meine Schwester, meine Tochter sollst Du sein. Gott hat mir Kinder versagt, ich betrachte Dich als ein werthvolles Gottesgeschenk!

So blieb denn Esther im Hause Menachem's; sie erzählte wohl von ihrer frühen Kindheit, von der sanften Mutter und dem gelehrten Vater; aber niemals erwähnte sie ihres Aufenthalts am Königshofe; sie fürchtete noch immer, dahin zurückgeholt zu werden und so sich neuen Kämpfen auszusetzen.

Es war ein echt jüdisches Haus, das Haus Rabbi Menachem's, der ein wohlhabender Mann war und der die Armen zu seinen Hausgenossen machte. Hier waltete echt jüdische Sitte und der Geist der heiligen Thora, deren Studium Rabbi Menachem stets einige Stunden des Tages und die halben Nächte widmete. Dabei war er ein tüchtiger Kaufmann, und Gottes Segen ruhte sichtlich auf allen seinen Unternehmungen. Seine Gattin Gutta war ein Engel an Milde und Sanftmuth; sie machte das Haus Rabbi Menachem's zu einem Tempel der Wohlthätigkeit, zu dem die Bedrängten und Bekümmerten wallfahrten und den sie getröstet und erquickt verließen. Wie manche Thräne wurde da getrocknet, wie mancher Noth gründlich abgeholfen, wie viele verzweiflungsvolle Herzen dem Leben und der Freude zurückgegeben!

Esther fühlte sich sofort heimisch in diesem Hause; oft verglich sie das Leben hier mit dem am königlichen Hofe, mit dem Jagen nach Vergnügen und Lust, und niemals sehnte sie sich zurück nach jener eiteln Pracht, niemals sehnte sie sich hinweg aus dem Hause Rabbi Menachem's.

Allein der frohe und zufriedene Zustand sollte nicht lange währen. Gutta war zu gut für diese Welt; sie gehörte zu jenen feinbesaiteten Naturen, deren edler Geist in einer zu zarten Hülle wohnt, sie gehörte zu denjenigen Personen, die der Allgütige auf die Erde gesandt zu haben scheint, um uns eine Vorstellung zu geben von seinen Engeln im Himmeln, die er aber nach kurzem Erdenleben in seinen Himmel zurückruft.

Zwei Jahre waren vergangen, seitdem Esther in das Haus Rabbi Menachem's eingetreten war; sie zählte jetzt vierzehn Jahre und war vollständig herangewachsen. Da nahm Gutta eines Tages Rabbi Menachem bei Seite und sprach zu ihm:

Mein geliebter Mann, ich fühle mein Ende herannahen.

O, sprich nicht so! rief Rabbi Menachem, das Auge voll Thränen.

Was hilft es, entgegnete Gutta, sich der Wahrheit zu verschließen? Wenn die Blätter von den Bäumen fallen, dann wird man mich hinaustragen nach jenem stillen Ort, wo schon so Viele ruhen. Du, geliebter Mann, stehst noch in jugendlichem Alter, Du darfst nicht ohne Gattin bleiben. O, wähle Dir unsere Esther; sie ist eine Perle, wie es keine kostbarere gibt auf der weiten Erde.

Laut weinend umarmte Rabbi Menachem die geliebte Gattin und bat sie, sich der trüben Gedanken zu entschlagen.

Diese aber suchte Esther auf und erzählte ihr, was sie mit Rabbi Menachen gesprochen und bat sie, den edeln Mann zu beglücken, wenn es ihr selbst nicht mehr möglich sein würde.

Auch Esther suchte der theuren Freundin den Gedanken an den Tod zu verscheuchen. Ach, Gutta hatte nur zu wahr gesprochen; als die Blätter von den Bäumen fielen, nach dem Ausgange des Hüttenfestes, trug man sie an jenen Ort, wo die Todten ruhen, bis der Herr sie ins Leben zurückrufen wird.

Rabbi Menachem bat seine Schwester, die trostlose Esther bei sich aufzunehmen. Hier blieb das junge Mädchen ein ganzes Jahr, bis die drei Feste des Herrn dahingezogen waren; dann wurde sie Rabbi Menachem's Weib.

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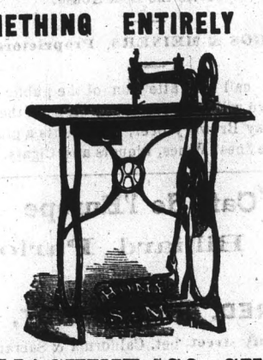

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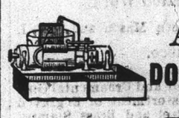

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